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TOWN OFFICERS, 1907.

Town Clerk.

AMOS H. EATON,

Term expires 1909

Treasurer and Collector.

AMOS H. EATON.

Selectmen.

LYMAN P. THOMAS,

Term expires 1908

WILLIAM M. HASKINS,

" 1909

CORNELIUS H. LEONARD,

" 1910

Assessors.

ALBERT T. SAVERY,

Term expires 1909

WILLIAM M. HASKINS,

" 1908

ALLERTON THOMPSON,

" 1910

Overseers of the Poor.

ANDREW M. WOOD,

Term expires 1908

CHARLES W. KINGMAN,

" 1909

CHARLES M. THATCHER,

" 1910

School Committee.

WARREN H. SOUTHWORTH,

Term expires 1908

WILLIAM C. LITCHFIELD,

" 1908

WILLIAM A. ANDREWS,

" 1909

NATHAN WASHBURN,

" 1909

CHARLES S. TINKHAM,

" 1910

E. T. P. JENKS,

" 1910

Superintendent of Schools.

CHARLES H. BATES.

Municipal Light Board.

THOMAS S. HODGSON, M. D.

Term expires 1908

HENRY W. SEARS,

" 1909

WILKES H. F. PETTEE,

" 1910

Board of Health.

| | |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| BERT J. ALLAN, | Term expires 1908 |
| THOMAS S. HODGSON, M. D. | " 1909 |
| JAMES A. BURGESS, | " 1910 |

Constables.

| | |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| F. HERBERT BATCHELDER, | DAVID S. SURREY, |
| SAMUEL S. LOVELL, | HARRY W. SWIFT, |
| JOHN M. LUIPPOLD, | FRED. A. THOMAS, |
| FRED. C. SPARROW, | ICHABOD B. THOMAS. |

Superintendent of Streets.

JOHN C. CHACE.

Registrars of Voters.

| | |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| WALTER M. CHIPMAN, | Term expires 1908 |
| LORENZO WOOD, | " 1909 |
| JAMES H. RUSSELL, | " 1910 |

Trustees of the Public Library.

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|-------------------|-------------------|
| WALTER SAMPSON, | Term expires 1908 |
| W. H. SOUTHWORTH, | " " 1908 |
| NATHAN WASHBURN, | " " 1908 |
| DAVID G. PRATT, | " " 1909 |
| JOSEPH E. BEALS, | " " 1909 |
| KENELM WINSLOW, | " " 1909 |
| GEORGE BRAYTON, | " " 1910 |
| E. S. HATHAWAY, | " " 1910 |
| ANDREW M. WOOD, | " " 1910 |

Fish Wardens.

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| WILLIAM M. HASKINS, | LYMAN P. THOMAS, |
| CORNELIUS H. LEONARD. | |

Fence Viewers.

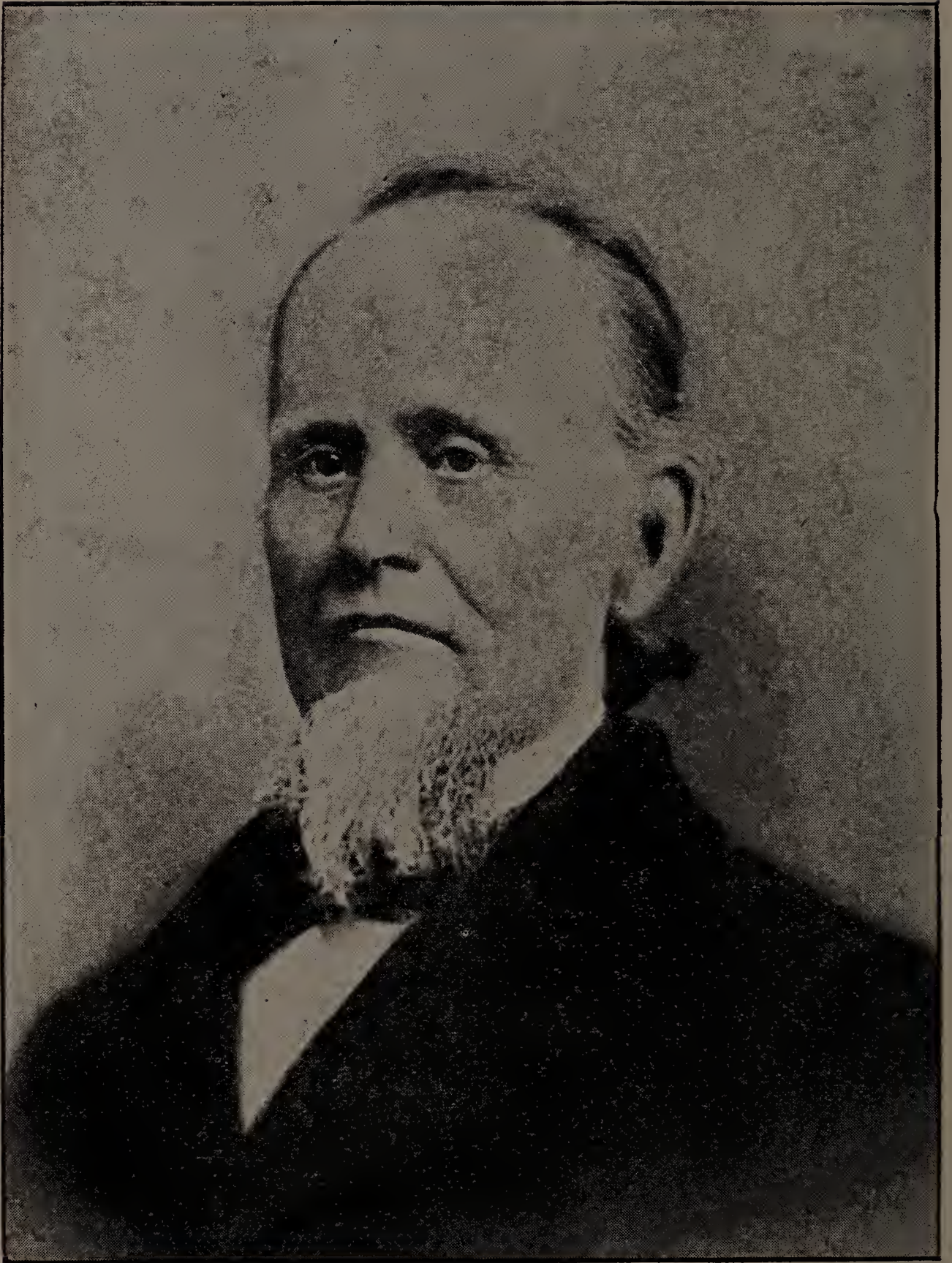
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| RUFUS CARPENTER, | JULIUS FOSTER PENNIMAN, |
| LENAS E. PHINNEY. | |

Tree Warden.

LUTHER S. BAILEY.

Auditor.

PERCY W. KEITH.



EVERETT ROBINSON

January 22, 1816 — August 5, 1897

EVERETT ROBINSON.

Born January 22nd, 1816. Died August 5th, 1897.

Everett Robinson was the son of Josiah and Caroline (Eaton) Robinson and was the oldest of a family of four children.

On the maternal side he was a direct descendant of Francis Eaton, the Pilgrim.

He was born at the family homestead in the northern village and his whole life was spent in Middleboro. His boyhood was like that of the average New England youth of the period, his training in habits of right living, industry, and frugality being of a thorough and enduring character.

His early education was largely obtained in primitive schools held in the homes of the neighborhood, there being no regular school-house in his district at that period.

School teaching in various parts of the town occupied many years of his young manhood, and all the while he was studying law during his leisure hours.

He was a member of the bar for more than half a century. He read Blackstone in the office of Zachariah Eddy, and was admitted in April 1846. He began active practice immediately and was associated at first with Mr. Eddy, their office being located in a building which stood near the residence of the late Hon. James H. Harlow.

Squire Robinson was always regarded by the bench and bar as an eminently safe attorney, conscientious in the preparation of his cases and fair in the presentation of them in court.

He was a lawyer of the old school and in court practice was unconventional in action and utterance, yet remarkably successful withal. He was especially effective as a jury lawyer, and won marked successes also in the Supreme courts.

In the probate courts he was a frequent visitor and but few lawyers in this section were entrusted with the settlements of so many estates.

Mr. Robinson's record in public office is one of high honor and credit both to himself and the town which he served. He was elected for four terms as Representative to the General Court, in 1849, 1850, 1852 and 1862, and served as State Senator in 1866, 1867 and 1876.

In the town government of fifty years ago he was a leader, serving as Town Clerk and Treasurer in 1849 and 1850, Selectman in 1852 and 1853, and upon the School Board in 1846. For a period of thirty years he dominated the Town meetings, always advocating a conservative policy in Town affairs, and his ideas were endorsed by a large number of influential tax-payers.

He was prominently identified with the establishment of the Middleboro Savings Bank in 1873, and was its first president, and was continued at the head of its management up to the year of his death.

The personality of Squire Robinson was a striking and original one in many respects. Independence in thought and action were prerogatives which he insisted upon for himself, and which he readily conceded to be the right of others.

He despised all forms of false pretense and hypocrisy and his course in life was directed along high lines of personal purity and rugged honesty of purpose and straight forwardness of conduct. He worked quietly, seldom having a confident, and never allowing himself to enter upon any course of business or public procedure without careful study of the situation.

A certain brusqueness of manner was in his case the veneering of a heart full of kindness, he was good to the poor, giving judiciously, but quietly.

Mr. Robinson married Sarah Elizabeth Taylor of Dartmouth.

REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS

For the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

APPROPRIATIONS MADE AT THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING HELD MARCH 4, 1907, AND ADJOURNMENTS HELD MARCH 13 AND APRIL 10, 1907.

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| Suppression of crime | \$1,000 00 |
| Memorial stone, pilgrim monument | 45 00 |
| Reimburse Green and Luippold | 200 00 |
| Memorial Day, Post 8, G. A. R. | 200 00 |
| Insure High school | 648 00 |
| Watering streets | 600 00 |
| Night watch | 700 00 |
| Salary School Committee | 150 00 |
| Salary Municipal Light Board | 150 00 |
| Salary Tree Warden | 100 00 |
| Salary Auditor | 100 00 |
| Sidewalks | 1,000 00 |
| Committee on appropriations | 60 00 |
| Support of schools | 27,700 00 |
| School transportation | 2,000 00 |
| School repairs | 1,000 00 |
| Support of poor | 8,000 00 |
| Soldiers' Relief | 3,000 00 |
| Military Aid | 200 00 |
| Town Officers | 3,550 00 |
| Incidentals | 2,500 00 |
| Water Supply | 1,500 00 |
| Town Debt | 8,900 00 |
| Interest | 3,500 00 |
| Interest Muncipal Light Bonds | 3,061 79 |
| Notes due | 750 00 |
| Bonds due | 2,000 00 |
| Depreciation | 4,926 22 |
| Suburban lighting | 450 00 |
| Board of Health | 850 00 |
| Highway Department | 8,500 00 |
| Pine Street | 2,000 00 |

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| Police | \$250 00 |
| Tree Warden Department | 250 00 |
| Town hall | 200 00 |
| Public Library | 400 00 |
| Gypsy moth | 300 00 |
| Pearl Street sewer | 300 00 |
| Moderator | 15 00 |

Total appropriations

\$91,256 01

Deduct:

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|--------------------------|------------|
| Award from New Bedford | \$3,896 50 |
| Corporation and Bank tax | 4,995 53 |

8,892 03

To be raised by tax

82,363 98

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| Voted by town | \$82,363 98 |
| State tax | 5,440 00 |
| State highway tax | 206 23 |
| County tax | 5,641 63 |
| Non-resident bank tax | 193 92 |
| Overlaying | 857 71 |

Total to be raised by tax

94,703 47

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| Assessed on 2290 polls | \$4,580 00 |
| Assessed on personal property | 18,202 28 |
| Assessed on real estate | 70,892 02 |
| Assessed on non-resident bank stock | 193 92 |
| Number of polls assessed, 2,290 | |

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| Value of buildings excluding land | \$2,011,749 00 |
| Value of land excluding buildings | 1,497,757 00 |

3,509,506 00

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| Value of personal estate | 901,103 00 |
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\$4,410,609 00

Persons, firms, etc., assessed on property:

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| Residents | 1,381 |
| Non-residents | 313 |
| Persons assessed for poll only | 1,253 |

2,947

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| Number of horses assessed | 848 |
| Number of cows assessed | 650 |
| Number of sheep assessed | 15 |
| Number of swine assessed | 32 |
| Number of fowl assessed | 2,965 |
| Number of neat cattle other than cows assessed | 114 |
| Number of dwelling houses assessed | 1,586 |
| Number of acres of land | 39,238 |
| Population of town | 6,893 |
| Taxes remitted in 1905 | \$37 94 |
| Taxes remitted in 1906 | 905 25 |
| Taxes remitted in 1907 | 1,388 18 |
| Added taxes in 1907 | 899 42 |
| Tax rate \$20.20 on \$1,000. | |

WILLIAM M. HASKINS,
 ALBERT T. SAVERY,
 ALLERTON THOMPSON,
 Assessors of Middleboro.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

For the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

The Selectmen have drawn orders upon the Town Treasurer for the amounts hereinafter given under the several appropriations made by the town :

TOWN OFFICERS.

| | | |
|---|------------|----------------|
| Appropriation | \$3,725 00 | |
| Overdrawn in 1906 | 169 39 | |
| | <hr/> | \$3,555 61 |
| Orders drawn : | | |
| Amos H. Eaton, Town clerk, treasurer and collector | \$1,100 00 | |
| Amos H. Eaton, treasurer, committee on appropriations | 60 00 | |
| Amos H. Eaton, treasurer, caucus officers | 22 50 | |
| Amos H. Eaton, registrar | 38 30 | |
| Amos H. Eaton, treasurer, election officers | 81 00 | |
| Edwin F. Witham, selectman and assessor | 45 00 | |
| Lyman P. Thomas, selectman | 160 00 | |
| William M. Haskins, selectman and assessor | 425 00 | |
| Cornelius H. Leonard, selectman | 125 00 | |
| Albert T. Savery, assessor | 245 00 | |
| Allerton Thompson, assessor | 275 00 | |
| James H. Russell, registrar, | 45 75 | |
| Lorenzo Wood, registrar | 38 65 | |
| Walter M. Chipman, registrar | 38 85 | |
| Clara G. Thomas, clerk | 108 00 | |
| Georgia H. Crapo, clerk | 38 00 | |
| Stella F. Thomas, copying | 9 70 | |
| | <hr/> | 2,855 75 |
| Balance unexpended | | <hr/> \$699 86 |

NIGHT WATCH.

| | | |
|--------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$700 00 | |
| Unexpended | 49 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$749 00 |
| Orders drawn : | | |
| George E. Hatch | | \$728 00 |
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| Balance unexpended | | \$ 21 00 |

WATER SUPPLY.

| | | |
|---------------|------------|-----------|
| Appropriation | \$1500 00. | |
| Orders drawn | | \$1500 00 |

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

| | | |
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| Appropriation | \$250 00 | |
| Transferred from Fourth District Court | 179 01 | |
| Balance from 1906 | 50 | |
| | <hr/> | \$429 51 |
| Orders drawn : | | |
| Isaac M. Foye | \$ 12 00 | |
| H. L. Leonard | 30 00 | |
| Fred C. Sparrow | 27 50 | |
| John M. Luippold | 107 50 | |
| F. Herbert Batchelder | 19 00 | |
| Fred A. Thomas | 35 50 | |
| Harry W. Swift | 23 01 | |
| E. T. Lincoln | 25 00 | |
| D. S. Surrey | 43 00 | |
| Middleboro Auto Exchange | 5 00 | |
| I. B. Thomas | 54 50 | |
| J. H. Ryder | 15 00 | |
| E. F. Witham | 8 50 | |
| S. S. Lovell | 22 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$427 51 |
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| Balance unexpended | | \$ 2 00 |

SEWERS.

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|-----------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$300 00 | |
| Received from entrance fees | 475 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$775 00 |
| Overdrawn in 1906 | | 293 10 |
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| Balance available for 1907 | | \$481 90 |

Orders drawn :

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|---------------|
| John C. Chace, pay rolls | \$284 97 | |
| Harold Bond Co., sewer tools | 108 55 | |
| Thomas W. Pierce, pipe | 84 25 | |
| J. K. & B. Sears & Co., lumber | 39 21 | |
| N. E. Brick Co., brick | 7 15 | |
| A. G. Hayes, care of Town House sewer | 5 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$529 13 |
| Overdrawn | | <hr/> \$47 23 |

CONSTRUCTION PINE STREET.

| | |
|---------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$2,000 00 |
|---------------|------------|

Orders drawn :

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|--------------------------|------------|----------------|
| John C. Chace, pay rolls | \$1,787 32 | |
| R. T. Benson, blacksmith | 18 70 | |
| Frank Short, gravel | 23 50 | |
| E. F. Witham, gravel | 50 00 | |
| L. D. Harlow, gravel | 3 75 | |
| Gamaliel Cushing, gravel | 2 50 | |
| | <hr/> | 1,885 77 |
| Balance | | <hr/> \$114 23 |

TOWN HALL.

| | | |
|---------------------------|----------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$400 00 | |
| Received for rent of Hall | 1,789 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,189 00 |
| Overdrawn, 1906 | | 114 74 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Available, 1907 | | \$2,074 26 |

Orders drawn :

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| B. F. Johnson, janitor | \$535 58 | |
| J. & G. E. Doane, electric fixtures and incidentals | 114 17 | |
| Middleboro Gas and Electric Plant | 426 26 | |
| C. L. Hathaway, insurance | 40 00 | |
| P. W. Keith “ | 40 00 | |
| T. M. Ryder “ | 40 00 | |
| D. D. Sullivan “ | 40 00 | |

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| C. E. Ryder insurance | \$40 00 | |
| S. G. Robinson " | 40 00 | |
| A. M. Reed " | 40 00 | |
| J. F. Alden " | 40 00 | |
| Clara G. Thomas, clerk | 27 00 | |
| H. B. Wentworth, tuning pianos 1906-1907 | 14 00 | |
| Chamberlain Metal Weather Strip Co., equipping windows | 54 60 | |
| Fred C. Sparrow, repairs | 47 81 | |
| J. K. & B. Sears & Co., lumber | 39 01 | |
| Fred N. Whitman, incidentals | 3 49 | |
| F. A. Johnson, painting and glazing | 15 65 | |
| John W. White, signs | 3 00 | |
| Smith & Hathaway, incidentals | 13 75 | |
| Thomas W. Pierce, repairs to stage | 101 83 | |
| Frank F. Shurtleff, electric installation | 134 30 | |
| Lloyd Perkins | 11 25 | |
| Bryant & Soule, Coal | 265 60 | |
| E. H. Blake, repairs to locks, etc. | 3 95 | |
| John McNally est., moving piano | 18 80 | |
| Wm. F. Deane, repairs of screens | 3 00 | |
| W. E. Chase, vacation janitor | 20 00 | |
| Jones Bros. Co., Chairs | 15 50 | |
| Lucas & Thomas | 2 13 | |
| Hartford Steam Boiler & Inspection Co. | 50 00 | |
| A. H. Eaton, cash paid out | 6 25 | |
| Taunton Nodust Co. | 3 50 | 2264 93 |

Overdrawn

\$190 67

TREE WARDEN.

Appropriation \$350 00

Orders drawn :

Luther S. Bailey 250 00

Balance

\$100 00

SUPPRESSION OF CRIME.

Appropriation \$1000 00

Orders drawn :

Kenelm Winslow 900 00

Balance

\$100 00

GYPSY MOTHS.

| | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$300 00 | |
| Received from the trustees of Est. of Thomas S. Pierce | 600 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$900 00 |
| Orders drawn : | | |
| John C. Chace, payrolls | 837 45 | |
| Stoddard, Hoserick, Richard, Co., burlap | 33 66 | |
| J. & G. E. Doane | 2 57 | |
| The Item Press, printing | 2 00 | |
| M. H. Cushing Co. | 26 | |
| Harold L. Bond Co., tools | 3 70 | |
| C. F. Anderson, kerosene | 2 20 | 881 84 |
| | <hr/> | |
| Balance | | \$18 16 |

PILGRIM MONUMENT, PROVINCETOWN.

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|----------------|---------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$45 00 | |
| Orders drawn : | | |
| Kavanagh Bros. | | \$45 00 |

SPRINKLING STREETS.

| | | |
|---------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$600 00 | |
| Orders drawn | | \$600 00 |

HIGHWAYS.

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| Unexpended | \$653 10 | |
| Appropriation for repairs of highways, snow bills, state highway and superin- tendent's salary | 8,500 00 | |
| Received from street sprinkling | 1,302 95 | |
| Excise tax | 1,577 73 | |
| From other sources, as per superintend- ent's report | 8,325 58 | |
| | <hr/> | \$20,359 36 |
| Orders drawn : | | |
| General highway bills approved by the Superintendent of Streets | | 19,543 58 |
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| Balance | | \$815 78 |

SIDEWALKS.

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|----------------|------------|
| Appropriation, | \$1,000 00 |
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Orders drawn :

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| John C. Chace, payrolls | \$570 38 | |
| A. R. Dunham, No. Middleboro walks | 97 38 | |
| Henry L. Clapp, contract School street | 121 95 | |
| Estate of Chas. Carpenter, gravel | 5 80 | |
| Harold L. Bond Co., tools | 94 05 | |
| Taunton Boiler Works, heater | 35 82 | |
| Jos. Breck & Sons corporation, rollers | 44 65 | |
| M. M. Carter & Sons Co. | 258 57 | |
| | <hr/> | 1228 60 |
| Overdrawn | | <hr/> \$228 60 |

Most of this overdraft is represented by work on crosswalks and should have been charged to highways before the books of the Town were closed.

INCIDENTALS

| | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| Appropriation | \$2,500 00 |
| Received from N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. | |
| for fighting fires | 128 10 |
| Received from sales of town history | 50 00 |
| | <hr/> \$2,678 10 |
| Overdrawn 1906 | 27 95 |
| | <hr/> \$2,650 15 |
| Available 1907 | |

Orders drawn :

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|---|----------|
| The MIDDLEBORO NEWS, advertising and printing poll tax list | \$168 73 |
| Lorenzo Wood, advertising and printing town reports | 587 78 |
| H. L. Thatcher & Co., printing | 81 20 |
| M. M. Copland, settlement old bill for printing | 60 00 |
| Plymouth County Pub. Co., printing and advertising | 75 19 |
| J. L. Fairbanks, books and blanks | 23 50 |
| P. B. Murphy, printed blanks | 5 25 |
| Library Bureau, cases and files | 21 05 |

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| A. S. Tallman, Inspector of Animals | \$199 93 |
| James A. Burgess, Inspector of Meats | 143 35 |
| D. H. Holmes, M.D., return of births | 3 25 |
| J. F. Shurtleff, M.D., return of births | 1 75 |
| C. S. Cummings, M.D., return of births | 5 25 |
| W. F. Fryer, M.D., return of births | 4 75 |
| A. C. Wilbur, M.D., return of births | 4 00 |
| George Soule, return of deaths | 15 00 |
| So. Mass. Telephone Co. | 25 73 |
| Sarah A. Phinney, treasurer, election officers' dinners | 16 30 |
| B. F. Johnson, food for prisoners | 70 95 |
| B. F. Johnson, keeper of lockup | 50 00 |
| E. F. Witham, use of team and cash paid out | 5 60 |
| Wm. M. Haskins, use of team and cash paid out | 94 75 |
| A. T. Savery, use of team and cash paid out | 19 50 |
| Allerton Thompson, use of team and cash paid out | 63 05 |
| L. P. Thomas, cash paid out | 14 50 |
| Smith Premier Typewriter Co | 6 85 |
| Municipal Engineering Co., subscription | 2 00 |
| Seth Vickery, settlement account defect in highway | 20 00 |
| A. M. Bearse, postage | 74 86 |
| A. G. Hayes, Inspector of Plumbing | 29 00 |
| S. S. Lovell, Dog Officer, 1906 and 1907 | 90 00 |
| E. H. Blake, incidental repairs | 3 00 |
| Pneumatic Hand Stamp Co. | 1 60 |
| Jose Parker & Co., blanks | 2 75 |
| Amos H. Eaton, recording births, deaths and marriages | 114 20 |
| Amos H. Eaton, Caucus Officer | 27 50 |
| Amos H. Eaton, Election Officers | 51 00 |
| Geo. H. Vaughan, forest fireward | 4 30 |
| T. F. Conway, forest fireward | 5 40 |
| Walter C. McCrellis, forest fireward | 61 20 |
| Levi O. Atwood, forest fireward | 13 00 |
| C. W. Kingman, forest fireward | 25 00 |
| F. M. Jenney, forest fireward | 15 20 |
| B. C. Shaw, forest fireward | 61 20 |
| E. H. Gammons, forest fireward | 3 00 |

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| Alvin Day, forest fireward | \$2 00 | |
| D. S. Surrey, forest fireward | 29 50 | |
| Stephen Hammond, guarding burned dist. | 21 35 | |
| W. & L. E. Gurley, material for Sealer of Weights and Measures | 18 80 | |
| Emery Record Preserving Co., binding | 1 75 | |
| Stella F. Thomas, copying | 30 60 | |
| Susie H. Witbeck, copying | 27 70 | |
| J. A. Thomas, fighting fire | 1 80 | |
| Waterman & Leavitt, road signs | 25 50 | |
| Elisha T. Jenks, locks and keys for lockup | 8 07 | |
| Middleboro Auto Exchange, use of auto | 6 00 | |
| Newman Clock Co., cards | 2 60 | |
| N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., lease | 1 00 | |
| E. E. Hobart, entry fee | 3 00 | |
| Edgar D. Wood, due as Sealer of Weights and Measures | 7 82 | |
| Amos H. Eaton, administering oaths | 25 00 | |
| Otis Briggs, use of team | 9 50 | |
| Chester E. Weston, forest fire ward | 27 50 | |
| Amos H. Eaton, Collector, taxes returned | 32 85 | |
| Amos H. Eaton, cash paid for incidentals | 60 29 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,714 05 |
| Overdrawn | | <hr/> \$63 90 |

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

| | | |
|---|-----------|------------------|
| Appropriation | \$3000 00 | |
| Received from Plymouth | 60 00 | |
| " " Bridgewater | 28 75 | |
| " " A. B. Chapin, State Treasurer | 70 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$3,158 75 |
| Overdrawn in 1906 | | <hr/> 1,681 55 |
| Available 1907 | | <hr/> \$1,477 20 |
| Orders drawn : | | |
| Chas. O. Cook | \$72 00 | |
| Daniel F. Wilbur | 120 00 | |
| William F. Shaw | 10 00 | |
| Alphonso Bliss | 102 25 | |
| Ellen J. Barrows | 65 50 | |
| C. W. Clark | 60 00 | |
| Melissa Collins | 48 00 | |

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| Mrs. C. H. Crandall | \$48 00 |
| Harrison Haskins | 90 00 |
| Charles Mitchell | 36 00 |
| Louisa Parry | 60 00 |
| Mrs. C. H. Perry and child | 120 00 |
| Mary A. Perry | 117.00 |
| Mrs. Jennie F. Shaw | 60 00 |
| George Temple | 60 00 |
| Mrs. Thomas Wilmot | 96 00 |
| Wm. F. Thompson | 79 00 |
| George H. Shaw | 46 00 |
| James Farley | 92 00 |
| Alvin C. Howland | 50 00 |
| Arad Thomas | 24 00 |
| Joseph Williams | 137 00 |
| Charles A. Howes account of Geo. Herman | 54 50 |
| D. H. Holmes M. D. | 200 00 |
| Geo. Powers | 69 25 |
| Rebecca Atwood | 107 00 |
| Earl T. Smith | 110 00 |
| J. M. Foye | 40 00 |
| Geo. B. Leonard | 30 00 |
| Geo. L. Finney | 32 22 |
| Salisbury H. Frisbee | 7 00 |
| Wielson Orr | 11 00 |
| T. C. Savery, wood | 21 00 |
| James McMann | 50 48 |
| Wm. H. Carl | 10 00 |
| Sylvanus Bisbee | 32 00 |
| Perley Haven | 15 00 |
| Wm. E. Bump | 51 00 |
| City of Brockton on account of Isabelle Finney | 72 00 |
| Artemas Morse | 33 00 |
| E. E. Place | 18 75 |
| T. S. Hodgson, Soldiers' Doctor for one year | 165 00 |
| Samuel Williams | 5 00 |
| Louis Gabrey | 20 50 |
| Abel Gibbs | 17 15 |
| Town of Sandwich acct. of H. P. Lovell and family | 187 16 |
| Solon Robertson | 20 75 |
| Wm. E. Bryant | 10 00 |

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| Geo. L. Soule, burial of Joseph Gabrey | \$35 00 | |
| Mrs. John Scanlon | 2 50 | |
| Sanford Weston | 12 00 | |
| D. H. Holmes acct. of Joshua G. Wing, charged to Town of Bridgewater | 28 75 | |
| Lucius S. Raymond | 10 00 | |
| Jones Bros. Co. burial, A. O. Standish | 35 00 | |
| Isaac Gibbs | 8 25 | |
| W. L. Coburn | 45 00 | |
| W. L. Soule, burial Edward S. Carnes | 35 00 | |
| George Herman | 27 00 | |
| A. O. Standish | 137 00 | \$3,359 01 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Overdrawn | | \$1,881 81 |

STATE AID.

**A List of the Names of Those Persons to Whom State Aid has
been Paid During the Year 1907, and the
Amount Paid to Each.**

| | | | |
|-------------------------|---------|------------------------|-------|
| Alden, Matilda J., | \$48 00 | Dorr, Mary T., | 48 00 |
| Alden, Susan M., | 48 00 | Drew, Stephen D., Jr., | 24 00 |
| Atwood, Rebecca, | 48 00 | Dunham, Harriet A., | 48 00 |
| Atwood, John S., | 48 00 | Dunham, Mary Y., | 48 00 |
| Atwood, Eliza, | 48 00 | Eaton, Henry A., | 72 00 |
| Barrows, Ellen J., | 48 00 | Eaton, Deborah F., | 48 00 |
| Bisbee, Sylvanus, | 72 00 | Fagan, Peter, | 72 00 |
| Bisbee, Abigail, | 48 00 | Fagan, Hannah, | 48 00 |
| Blinkinsop, James, | 54 00 | Faxon, Wm. L., | 54 00 |
| Bliss, Alphonso, | 72 00 | Finney, George L., | 72 00 |
| Boardman, Julia, | 48 00 | Finney, Cordelia, | 48 00 |
| Bryant, James, | 72 00 | Finney, Thomas W., | 48 00 |
| Bryant, Drusilla J., | 48 00 | Finney, Isabelle B., | 48 00 |
| Bryant, William E., | 72 00 | Freeman, Andrew, | 44 00 |
| Bump, Benjamin W., | 72 00 | Garlick, Henry E., | 28 00 |
| Bump, Mrs. Benjamin W., | 8 00 | Gammons, Melintha B., | 28 00 |
| Bump, William E., | 72 00 | Gammons, Thomas G., | 48 00 |
| Bump, Juliet H., | 48 00 | Gibbs, Stephen S., | 48 00 |
| Butler, Susan K., | 20 00 | Gibbs, Isaac F., | 72 00 |
| Bryant, Mary J., | 20 00 | Glidden, Benj. R., | 44 00 |
| Coburn, William L., | 36 00 | Haines, Maria H., | 48 00 |
| Capen, Mary L., | 48 00 | Hammond, Stephen H., | 48 00 |
| Carl, Abbie, | 34 00 | Harlow, Simeon, | 72 00 |
| Carter, James, | 72 00 | Harvey, Alexander V., | 48 00 |
| Caswell, William W., | 72 00 | Haskell, John T., | 48 00 |
| Clark, Maria H., | 48 00 | Haskins, Harrison, | 72 00 |
| Chandler, William B., | 36 00 | Hathaway, Sarah, | 36 00 |
| Churchill, Annie E., | 48 00 | Haven, Perley, | 72 00 |
| Cole, Job N., | 72 00 | Herman, Geo. H., | 72 00 |
| Cole, Abbie D., | 48 00 | Holmes, Theodore P., | 72 00 |
| Coombs, William A., | 72 00 | Holmes, Charles H., | 18 00 |
| Coombs, Julia, | 8 00 | Howland Alvin C., | 72 00 |
| Copeland, Amy E., | 48 00 | Henlin, Louisa, | 48 00 |
| Chandler, Job C., | 66 00 | Higgins, Harrison L., | 18 00 |
| Doten, Rebecca S., | 30 00 | King, Catherine, | 40 00 |
| Dorr, Amos L., | 72 00 | Knowland, John, B., | 72 00 |

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|----------------------|-------|------------------------|-------|
| LeBaron, Louisa, | 36 00 | Shaw, Jennie F., | 48 00 |
| Leonard, Ellen, | 48 00 | Shaw, Martha, | 48 00 |
| Lane, Benj. F., | 48 00 | Shaw, Joanna, | 48 00 |
| Litchfield, Wm. C., | 48 00 | Shores, Phoebe C., | 48 00 |
| Littlejohn, Ira O., | 60 00 | Sisson, Clarinda A., | 48 00 |
| Lyon, Mary A., | 48 00 | Smith, Earl T., | 72 00 |
| McMann, Lydia A. | 48 00 | Smith, Roland, | 20 00 |
| McMann, James E., | 48 00 | Smith, John E., | 72 00 |
| Merrick, John, R., | 48 00 | Soule, Abbie J., | 24 00 |
| Mitchell, Charles, | 72 00 | Southworth, Rodney E., | 24 00 |
| Morse, Charles H., | 48 00 | Staples, Wm. S., | 72 00 |
| Maglathlin, Lucy, | 48 00 | Shurtleff, Benj., | 48 00 |
| Morse, Ezra, | 69 00 | Temple, George, | 72 00 |
| Mosher, Benj. F., | 30 00 | Thomas, Arad, Jr., | 72 00 |
| Macomber, Celia S., | 36 00 | Thomas, Lucy, | 48 00 |
| Nichols, Lucia M., | 48 00 | Thomas, George B., | 72 00 |
| Nickerson, Hiram, | 72 00 | Thomas, Mary, | 48 00 |
| Nickerson, Eliza E., | 48 00 | Thompson, Wm. F., | 48 00 |
| Norveille, Susan, | 48 00 | Waterman, Julia A., | 48 00 |
| Perkins, John J., | 72 00 | Watson, John H., | 16 00 |
| Perkins, Lucy, | 48 00 | Weatherbee, David N., | 48 00 |
| Perkins, Joshua L., | 72 00 | Weatherbee, Mary H., | 48 00 |
| Perkins, Thompson, | 54 00 | Westgate, Edward S., | 72 00 |
| Pittsley, Charles P. | 72 00 | Weston, Dura T., | 68 00 |
| Pittsley, Sarah J., | 48 00 | Weston, Sanford, | 12 00 |
| Place, Edward E., | 48 00 | Whitman, Alden, | 36 00 |
| Raymond, Lucius S., | 48 00 | Williams, Samuel, | 72 00 |
| Raymond, Marcus M., | 36 00 | Wilbur, Sarah, | 48 00 |
| Scanlon, John | 72 00 | Williams, Joseph, | 72 00 |
| Shaw, Albert, | 36 00 | Wing, Joshua G., | 20 00 |
| Shaw, George H., | 72 00 | Darling, Albert A., | 18 00 |
| Shaw, Jonathan W., | 24 00 | | |

**A List of the Names of Persons to Whom Military Aid has
been Paid during the Year 1907, and the
Amount Paid to Each.**

| | | | |
|---------------------|----------|----------------------|--------|
| Field, Lysander, | \$110 00 | Standish, Alfred O., | 36 00 |
| Gibbs, Abiel, | 110 00 | Wood, Jacob, | 132 00 |
| Leonard, George B., | 132 00 | Wilbur, Daniel F., | 110 00 |
| Powers, George, | 110 00 | | |

LIST OF JURORS.

The Selectmen propose the following persons to serve as jurors the ensuing year :

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| <p>William F. Atwood. John L. Benson. Charles E. Bump. Grover Bennett. George F. Bryant. Edward H. Blake. Walter M. Chipman. Abisha T. Clark. William E. Cushman. Howard M. Bishop. John M. Casey. Herbert W. Cornish. Eugene L. Dunham. Leonidas Deane. William R. Farrington. Morton L. Gammons. William A. Greene. William M. Haskins. Bradford Harlow. Sylvester H. Keith. Thomas J. LeBaron. Jesse W. Leonard. Eugene H. McCarthy. Adam P. McKeen. Thomas F. McDonald. George H. Place. David G. Pratt. John C. Robinson. John H. Ryder. James H. Russell. Benjamin C. Shaw. Walter H. Smith. Myron R. Sturgis. Harrison F. Shurtleff. Charles H. Soule.</p> | <p>Walter L. Beals. Joshua K. Bishop. Marshall P. Burgess. Luther S. Bailey. Otis L. Barden. J. Herbert Cushing. Elisha A. Cudworth. Louis D. Churbuck. Charles F. Cole. Charlie O. Breach. Edward H. Cromwell. Joseph Carver. Albert Deane, George A. Earle. Lucius M. Fuller. Amasa R. Glidden. Wordsworth H. Harvey. Alvin C. Howes. Michael H. Kelly. Percy W. Keith. John L. Luippold. Albert F. Mitchell. John Merrihew. Andrew W. Miller. Michael O'Donnell. Robert S. Phillips. Geo. H. Wilbur. Luther B. Pratt. Henry K. W. Ryder. Clarence H. Ryder. Charles L. Starkey. Warren B. Stetson. Edwin E. Soule. John J. Sullivan. Truman C. Savery.</p> |
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David S. Surrey.
 Charles W. Swett.
 Eben A. Richmond.
 Frank M. Stickney.
 William H. Thomas.
 John B. Thomas.
 Charles H. Thomas.
 Ichabod B. Thomas.
 Edward C. Wood.
 Asaph F. Washburn.
 Albert T. Westgate.

Orlando Soule.
 Walter M. Snow.
 James F. Roberts.
 Charles M. Thatcher.
 Lazell E. Thomas.
 Alfred E. Thomas.
 James A. Thomas.
 William L. Wade.
 Frank S. Thomas.
 Seneca T. Weston.
 John H. Wheeler.

The selectmen have made the following appointments in their order :

William M. Haskins, Burial Agent.
 H. H. Robinson, Inspector of Alewives.

FOREST FIRE WARDS.

E. F. Witham.
 S. J. Sparrow.
 Geo. H. Vaughan.
 E. H. Cromwell.
 C. W. Maxim.
 C. E. Weston.
 Seneca T. Weston.
 C. W. Kingman.
 A. G. Harvey.
 F. A. G. Atwood.
 J. L. Benson.
 Levi O. Atwood.

B. C. Shaw.
 H. W. Atwood.
 F. M. Jenney.
 A. R. Dunham.
 Thos. F. Conway.
 John C. Chase.
 W. C. McCrillis.
 E. H. Gammons.
 A. T. Clark.
 J. H. Thomas.
 H. M. Bishop.
 William F. Clark.

George A. Robbins.

A. S. Tallman, Inspector of Animals.
 John C. Chase, Superintendent of Streets.
 John H. Ryder, Measurer of Wood, bark, and lumber.
 Geo. F. Bryant, Public Weigher.
 Henry Soule, Public Weigher.
 Cyrus Whelden, Public Weigher.

Lawson B. Twitchell, Public Weigher.
 M. F. Cronan, Public Weigher.
 W. L. Coburn, Public Weigher.
 E. A. Small, Public Weigher.
 Edgar D. Wood, Sealer of Weights and Measures.
 James H. Russell, Registrar of Voters.
 C. H. Leonard, Fish Warden.
 W. D. Blair, Fish Warden.
 Geo. E. Hatch, Night Watchman.

ELECTION OFFICERS.

Precinct 1.

A. W. Leonard, Warden.
 J. W. S. Gibbs, Deputy Warden.
 P. W. Keith, Clerk.
 B. J. Allan, Deputy Clerk.
 T. S. Pratt, Inspector.
 B. E. Holmes, Inspector.
 M. V. B. Pratt, Deputy Inspector.
 H. A. Pratt, Deputy Inspector.
 Josiah T. Carver, Officer.

Precinct 2.

Geo. F. Bryant, Warden.
 C. E. Weston, Deputy Warden.
 W. L. Beals, Clerk.
 E. F. Witham, Teller and Deputy Clerk.
 Wm. M. Haskins, Inspector.
 Edgar D. Wood, Inspector.
 E. T. P. Jenks, Deputy Inspector and Teller.
 Walter M. Snow, Deputy Inspector.
 Isaac M. Foye, Officer.

On April 6th the Selectmen granted a franchise to the Home Automatic Telephone Co. on condition that the same be accepted within thirty days and construction begun within one year. It was accepted April 29th, but construction has not yet been started.

The suit against the City of Taunton has advanced a step during the year, the Town having recently been awarded the sum of \$12,200 by a jury.

The case against G. M. Quirk & Co. has not advanced.

The debt limit of the Town January 1, 1908, was \$132,318.27.

The net debt was \$96,650.00, and the borrowing capacity \$35,668.27.

The Municipal Light debt of \$75,700.00 added to the net debt gives \$172,350.00 as the gross debt of the Town.

The decree of the County Commissioners relocating Grove street west of the railroad tracks gave the Town until October 1st to construct the same.

Provision for this should be made at the annual Town meeting this year.

WILLIAM M HASKINS,
C. H. LEONARD,
LYMAN P. THOMAS,
Selectmen of Middleboro.

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Middleboro, Mass., January 1st, 1908.

To the Selectmen and Citizens of the town of Middleboro:

I have the honor to make the following report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year 1907.

The student of history is aware of the fact that all nations both ancient and modern have established some system by which the sale of commodities to the comfort and maintenance of life should have a legally established law, and that duly appointed officers to ascertain if such laws and standards were complied with and obeyed.

The office of Sealer of Weights and Measures for the town of Middleboro has been for many years considered a farce and in which the appointee's ability was estimated by his talent which had never been weighed in the scales of justice.

By direction of the State Commissioner, I have the past year made many innovations at some expense to the Town, and have created to a certain extent antagonism amongst a few, but have been encouraged by the fact that if my fellow citizens did not support me I have the word from the State Commissioner that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts would stand behind your Sealer of Weights and Measures.

The time is not far distant at the present rate of growth of the Town when your Sealer will be obliged to have office room in the town house or some other suitable quarters, as his business has increased the past year over forty per cent. My report is as follows:

During the past year an inventory of the equipment owned by the Town for this department has been taken at the commencement of the year.

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| The assets were | \$516 00 |
| Added during the present year | 18 80 |
| | \$534 80 |
| Total assets | |

During the past year I have sealed, certified to, condemned, or adjusted 2,750 scales, balances, weights, dry and wet measures, of which 2,230 were for the sale of milk and 520 for business other than milk.

And this seems an opportune time to say a word to the consumers of milk. As long as you persist in purchasing milk in glass bottles just so long will you be in danger of short measure and uncleanness. I am a firm believer in the old-fashioned method by the old-fashioned measure, and also believe that there should be a law enacted prohibiting the sale of milk in any other way than by measure.

I have visited 61 places of business, besides numerous pedlers and street dealers.

I have sealed 53 platform scales; adjusted 6; condemned 2; sealed 14 computing platform scales; sealed 53 counter balances; found 7 overweight; adjusted 7; condemned 3; sealed 39 spring balances; condemned 5; sealed 25 dry measures; sealed 55 liquid measures; condemned 2; sealed 33 yard sticks; condemned 2; sealed 7 druggist avoirdupois balances; sealed 7 wagon platform scales; sealed 2 railroad platform scales; adjusted 7 platform scales; sealed 12 steel yards; condemned 10; tested 140 weights; condemned 17; found short 8; repaired 4; total 520.

I have received in fees and turned into the Town Treasury \$51.95.

I have paid expenses as follows:

| | |
|--------------------------|---------|
| For Advertising, | \$2 00 |
| Cutting die, | 15 |
| Printing seals, | 4 50 |
| Labor, | 1 50 |
| Car Fare, | 50 |
| Horse Hire, | 5 00 |
| Feed, | 12 |
| Telephone, | 40 |
| Express from Troy, N. Y. | 1 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total | \$15 17 |

I have charged the time to the amount of $111\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 40 cents per hour \$44 60.

Balance due \$7 82

Respectfully submitted,

EDGAR D. WOOD,

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

REPORT OF FISH WARDENS.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Received from sale of herrings | \$100 00 | |
| Received from towns down the river | 70 00 | |
| | — | \$170 00 |

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|---|--------|----------|
| Orders drawn : | | |
| Middleboro Highway Dept. putting over herrings | 8 75 | |
| William Coombs, labor | 6 00 | |
| Henry H. Robinson, Inspector | 130 00 | |
| C. H. Leonard, repairs | 1 25 | |
| C. H. Leonard, Fish Warden | 5 00 | |
| Wm. M. Haskins, Fish Warden | 5 00 | |
| L. P. Thomas, Fish Warden | 5 00 | |
| | — | \$161 00 |
| | | — |
| Balance to divide with Lakeville | | \$9 00 |

Thirty-five dollars remains unpaid from the sale of herrings in 1907.

WILLIAM. M. HASKINS,
 LYMAN P. THOMAS,
 CORNELIUS N. LEONARD,
 Fish Wardens.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS.

MIDDLEBORO, MASS., Dec. 11, 1907.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of the town of Middleboro
Mass :

I have this day completed the inspection of animals in this town; namely horses, cattle, sheep, goats, and swine and I find them as a whole in good and very healthy condition. Out of one thousand (1,000) head of neat cattle there were but seven (7) which were suspicious of having contagious diseases. They were quarantined and further examined by the State Cattle Bureau, and six (6) were killed, having developed tuberculosis. The seventh was released, as no contagious disease could be diagnosed.

Yours Very Respectfully,

A. S. TALLMAN, V. S.
Inspector of Animals.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO BUILD NEW ALMSHOUSE.

MIDDLEBOROUGH, MASS., Jan. 1, 1908.

The undersigned, a Committee to build a new almshouse, beg leave to make the following additional report to the one submitted by them and dated Jan. 1, 1907.

| | | |
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| Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1907, | \$1321 92 | |
| Received from Pierce Trustees, | 8008 45 | |
| | <hr/> | \$9330 37 |

Building Account.

| | | |
|--|----------|---------|
| Paid W. G. Harlow, Architect & Inspector | \$525 00 | |
| Insurance premiums and permits | 42 00 | |
| Kinney Heating & Supply Co. | 1047 00 | |
| J. & G. E. Doane | 122 99 | |
| C. W. Maxim, screens, etc. | 162 93 | |
| T. F. Boucher, painting, and papering | 141 09 | |
| Electrician | 15 00 | |
| T. W. Pierce | 7 53 | |
| Bryant & Harlow | 41 63 | |
| Frank E. Pierce on contract | 5931 74 | |
| | <hr/> | 8036 91 |

Furnishing Account.

| | | |
|-----------------------|---------|--------|
| Paid J. & G. E. Doane | \$58 50 | |
| W. L. Soule | 270 87 | |
| T. W. Pierce | 122 41 | |
| Insurance | 30 00 | |
| Jones Bros. Co. | 214 90 | |
| W. Egger | 68 25 | |
| F. N. Whitman | 24 53 | |
| A. M. Wood | 4 00 | |
| | <hr/> | 793 46 |

We still have on hand a balance of \$500 due Frank E. Pierce, as remainder of his contract, which sum is held pending adjustment of claims between parties not affecting the Town.

In order that the exact cost of building and furnishing may be ascertained we present the summary of both :

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| Frank E. Pierce contract (\$500 on hand) | \$13,617 57 |
| Kinney Heating and Supply Co. | 1,047 00 |
| W. G. Harlow, Architect and Inspector | 750 00 |
| Insurance and permits | 402 00 |
| Miscellaneous | 493 42 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total cost of building | \$16,309 99 |
| Cost of furnishing, as above | 793 46 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$17,103 45 |
| Received from insurance | \$6,095 00 |
| Received from Pierce trustees | 11,008 45 |
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| | \$17,103 45 |

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES N. ATWOOD,
 CARLTON W. MAXIM,
 ANDREW M. WOOD,
 CHESTER E. WESTON,
 GEORGE W. STETSON,
 GEORGE R. SAMPSON,
 Building Committee.

ANNUAL REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

For the year ending Dec. 31, 1907.

| | |
|---|-------------------|
| Appropriation from Town | \$ 8,000 00 |
| Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1907 | 16 17 |
| Received from other towns | 1,136 30 |
| Received from Mary F. Smith | 200 00 |
| Received from sale of farm produce, in- cluding nearly \$500 of milk | 770 08 |
| | <hr/> \$10,123 08 |

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| Paid expenses of Town farm | \$3,720 47 |
| Outside poor, 22 families of 45 persons | 1,887 84 |
| Residing here, settlement elsewhere, 11 families of 47 persons | 984 13 |
| Residing elsewhere, settlement here, 23 families of 50 persons | 978 35 |
| Hospital for Epileptics, 2 persons | 345 43 |
| School for feeble-minded, 2 persons | 254 40 |
| Salary of Superintendent and matron | 900 00 |
| Salary of Overseers of the Poor | 550 00 |
| Salary of Town Physician | 150 00 |

Expense Account.

| | | |
|---|-------|----------|
| Traveling expenses of the Overseers out of town at various times, order book, blanks, stationery, postage, etc. | 65 44 | 9,836 06 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1908 | | \$287 02 |

The amount of cash, \$9,836.06, disbursed during the past year includes \$641.75 of 1906 bills which came in during the year, none of which is chargeable to the Farm account.

We have been left at the end of the year with quite a sum of money on hand, \$287.02, owing to the fact that the books were

closed promptly at the end of the year. A large number of bills came in the next day and over \$700 of last year's bills are now in sight to be paid from last year's appropriation.

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| No. of inmates at town farm Jan. 1st, 1907 | 16 |
| Admitted during year | 1 |
| Died during year | 7 |
| No. remaining Jan. 1st, 1908 | 10 |

Real estate

| | |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| 90 acre farm and buildings | \$20,850 00 |
| 3 wood lots | 950 00 |

Personal property

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|---|----------|
| Live stock including 2 horses and 10 cows | 830 00 |
| Hay and produce | 1,339 00 |
| Groceries | 44 40 |
| Furniture | 925 00 |
| Implements and tools | 212 50 |
| Coal, dressing and lumber | 169 00 |
| Wagons | 238 00 |

\$25,557 90

The following is a partial list of produce raised at the farm the past year, a part of which has been sold and the remainder is being used for the support of the inmates:

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| Hay, 60 tons. | Corn, 200 bu. | Carrots, 7 bu. |
| Corn fodder, 6 tons. | Potatoes, 125 bu. | Beans, 12 bu. |
| Rye straw, 1 ton. | Turnips, 120 bu. | Apples, 18 bbls. |
| Oat straw, 2 tons. | Beets, 6 bu. | Pumpkins, 2 tons. |
| Rowen, 2 tons. | Mangles, 60 bu. | Eggs, 200 doz. |

Milk, cream, butter, eggs and garden vegetables in abundance.

It is a matter of some satisfaction to the Overseers that the poor department, after about two years of unsettled conditions, now seems to be fairly started on an even basis which promises greater facility in handling its affairs. The completion of the new almshouse during the past year will as time goes on, give a greater degree of compactness and uniformity in dealing with the cases which come to the notice of the department, and it is confidently anticipated that the operations of the department may on this account be conducted with more convenience and advantage, both to itself and to the Town at large, than was possible under the adverse conditions created by the burning of the old

house. The conditions surrounding outside poor remain about as usual: the presence of children in most of the families thus aided makes their support at the farm impossible, and in all cases where aid is extended to individuals, definite reasons exist which make their removal to the almshouse inexpedient. The public are cordially invited to inspect the new quarters at the Town farm, and the Overseers feel sure that all who avail themselves of this opportunity will recognize that the new house is a model of economy as well as of efficiency.

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW M. WOOD,
CHARLES M. THATCHER,
CHARLES W. KINGMAN,
Overseers of Poor.

TREE WARDEN'S REPORT.

From January 1, 1907, to January 1, 1908.

My work the past year has mostly consisted of trimming trees. I have not only trimmed the lower branches, that interfered with public travel, but also the large, dead limbs that were a source of danger to the public.

The removal of five elm trees on Centre Street took a great deal of the appropriation otherwise needed.

If I could have put the money in doing other work, I should have been better pleased with results.

Again, I call your attention to the electric light wires which are a source of nuisance to our trees. If the agent persists in stringing them through the centre of the trees, we will enter a suit to prevent it, as that is one way of overcoming a nuisance. When talking ceases to be of any avail, a good punishment usually brings about the desired results.

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| Received appropriation | \$250 00 |
| Broken ladder | 2 00 |

\$252 00

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|------------------------|---------|
| Paid help | \$97 15 |
| Teams | 18 50 |
| Filing saws, etc. | 2 97 |
| Freight | 35 |
| Ladder | 12 00 |
| Printing | 1 00 |
| Twenty-five days labor | 75 00 |

\$206 97

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|----------------|-------|
| Overdrawn 1906 | 50 94 |
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257 91

252 00

Overdrawn 1907

\$5 91

Valuation of property :

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|-----------------------|---------|
| Two ladders | \$14 00 |
| Pump | 25 00 |
| Saws, ropes, clippers | 4 00 |
| Spurs | 3 00 |

\$46 00

Respectfully submitted,

L. S. BAILEY, *Tree Warden.*

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

To the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Middleboro :

The following is a statement of receipts and disbursements for and on account of highways, state highways and town bills, etc. as received and paid since January 1st, 1907.

| | |
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| Unexpended balance for 1906 | \$682 30 |
| Feb. 21, H. P. Cummings Con. Co. | 49 67 |
| April, Appropriation | 8,500 00 |
| April 11, E. F. Witham, one horse | 100 00 |
| April 20, John C. Chace, cash incidentals | 18 25 |
| April 24, " " Pierce trustees town team | 10 86 |
| May 1, C. E. Western, Pierce trustees | 1,132 19 |
| May 20, John C. Chace, Pierce trustees town team | 50 53 |
| May 24, Old Colony Street Railway | 8 80 |
| May 29, John C. Chace, Pierce trustees town team | 51 00 |
| June 3, John C. Chace, Pierce trustees town team | 53 35 |
| June 4, Herring act | 8 75 |
| June 11, John C. Chace, Pierce trustees town team | 38 72 |
| June 17, John C. Chace, Pierce trustees town team | 34 00 |
| June 29, John C. Chace, Pierce trustees town team | 51 00 |
| July 6, John C. Chace, Pierce trustees town team | 51 00 |
| July 13, John C. Chace, Pierce trustees town team | 38 72 |
| July 31, John C. Chace, Pierce trustees town team | 155 36 |
| Aug. 3, A. B. Chapin | 28 00 |

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| Aug. 9, John C. Chace, Pierce trustees town team | \$51 00 |
| Aug. 10, John C. Chace, Pine St. 2.82, Pierce trustees town team | 109 07 |
| Aug. 31, John C. Chace, Summer St. and Pierce trustees town team | 148 75 |
| Sept. 7, John C. Chace, State highway town team | 8 50 |
| Sept. 14, John C. Chace, State highway town team | 26 58 |
| Sept. 21, John C. Chace, State highway town team | 175 48 |
| Oct. 2, A. B. Chapin, State highway | 701 05 |
| Oct. 5, John C. Chace, State highway town team | 42 97 |
| Oct. 12, John C. Chace, State highway town team | 29 75 |
| Oct. 26, John C. Chace, State highway town team | 124 50 |
| Nov. 4, A. B. Chapin | 1,298 52 |
| Nov. 4, John C. Chace, State highway town team | 72 34 |
| Nov. 9, John C. Chace, State highway town team | 48 91 |
| Nov. 13, A. B. Chapin, State highway | 1,421 96 |
| Nov. 16, John C. Chace, State highway | 77 44 |
| Nov. 22, School house lawn | 395 32 |
| Nov. 23, John C. Chace, State highway town team | 4 25 |
| Dec. 3, A. B. Chapin, State highway | 1,480 03 |
| Dec. 6, A. B. Chapin, State highway repairs | 228 96 |
| Dec. 31, Excise tax | 1,577 73 |
| Dec. 31, street sprinkling appropriation and receipts | 1,302 95 |
| | <hr/> \$20,388 56 |
| General expenses since Jan. 1, 1907: | |
| Margaret Cleverly, gravel | \$142 20 |
| W. S. Andrews, R. Boots | 54 00 |
| W. H. Haskell, veterinary service | 51 50 |
| W. F. Dean, sawing | 80 |
| Frank Warren, horseshoeing | 74 38 |
| Bryant & Soule, hay, grain, coal | 1,325 18 |
| A. C. Cosseboom, snow plows, wagon repairs, etc. | 165 45 |

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| Alex. Eaton, one gray mare | \$175 00 |
| Martin T. Soule, tool sharpening, repairs, etc. | 130 61 |
| James L Jenney, coal for Summer St., 1906 | 111 00 |
| C. P. Washburn, cement | 9 40 |
| H. L. Bond, tools, supplies | 71 31 |
| Wylie Bros., machinist | 93 28 |
| Clark & Cole, sawdust splints | 10 50 |
| F. C. Norris, harness repairs, supplies | 66 15 |
| J. G. E. Doane, drain pipes, tools, etc. | 327 33 |
| J. K. & B. Sears, lumber, stable, streets, highways, etc. | 464 50 |
| Vestal Oil Co., crusher and engine oils | 139 37 |
| T. F. Boucher, load of gravel | 13 31 |
| Charles Clafflin, engine supplies | 25 83 |
| G. H. Simmons, pigs, wood, etc. | 92 26 |
| E. F. Witham, cedar posts | 18 00 |
| C. H. Thomas, one set platform scales | 50 00 |
| Eagle Oil and Supply Co., lubricating oils | 17 80 |
| Lebaron Foundry Co., manhole covers | 4 75 |
| Kelley Roller Co., repairs for steam roller | 34 75 |
| J. E. Cushman, posts | 25 30 |
| Middleboro News, payroll sheets | 11 00 |
| New England Brick Co., brick | 3 25 |
| M. H. Cushing Co., hay, grain, cement, etc. | 531 92 |
| O'Hara Bros., coal | 8 40 |
| A. B. Black, road scraper, knives | 34 21 |
| Smith & Hathaway, seeds, etc. | 4 17 |
| Waters, Governor Co., repairs | 6 43 |
| J. F. Alden, insurance | 27 00 |
| Hartford Steam Boiler Ins. Co. | 45 60 |
| Taylor Iron and Steel Co., crusher plates | 113 00 |
| American Packing Co., packing | 4 40 |
| Lloyd Perkins, 2nd, machinist | 17 57 |
| A. J. Bailey, painting water carts | 36 50 |
| C. S. Cummings, injury to man on Plymp- ton Street | 3 00 |
| W. J. Cromwell, repair wheel | 1 40 |
| Fred N. Whitman, Fourth of July fur- nishing | 10 94 |
| B. K. Cushman, posts, planks, etc., No. Middleboro | 6 30 |
| Sparrow Bros., oil cloths | 2 50 |
| Charles F. Anderson, k. oil | 16 50 |

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| B. C. Shaw, box boards for bin | \$3 90 | |
| C. W. Maxim, State road stakes, new snow plows, etc. | 147 27 | |
| Jobe Clark, sharpening tools, etc. | 4 63 | |
| Stoughton Rubber Co., belting | 30 24 | |
| H. W. Oliver, blacksmith | 2 00 | |
| Grover Bennett, hay burned at Plympton Street | 25 00 | |
| Pierce Trustees, bal. of account on coal posts, etc. | 38 80 | |
| O'Hara Bros., coal | 8 45 | |
| Charles Carpenter, Est., gravel | 47 80 | |
| Vestal Oil Co., crusher oils | 45 59 | |
| T. F. McDonald, blacksmith | 1 37 | |
| J. M. Deane, pine limbs | 3 25 | |
| Nathaniel Bump, repairing | 6 65 | |
| C. H. Shaw, use of land | 15 00 | |
| Acme Road M. Co., crusher parts plow, etc. | 78 00 | |
| E. S. Ober, gravel | 112 80 | |
| Good Roads M. Co., plow repairs, parts and scrapers, etc. | 46 50 | |
| John C. Chase, freight bill incidentals | 61 01 | |
| | <hr/> | 5,255 71 |

Orders Drawn for Stone.

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| Elmer Shaw | \$26 00 | |
| E. S. Ober | 25 11 | |
| D. H. Cunningham | 34 69 | |
| Max Schoch | 25 87 | |
| Wm. Perkins | 25 79 | |
| Peter Boyer | 57 80 | |
| C. H. Shaw | 30 50 | |
| A. J. Carpenter | 76 45 | |
| | <hr/> | \$302 21 |
| Received of L. Caswell, 27 ton, 902 M stone at 50 cents ton (To balance account of dressing.) | \$13 95 | |
| Received of John C. Chase, 130 ton, stone at 10 cents ton, drawn by town teams | 13 00 | |
| 34 ton stone, at 50 cents, drawn by J. C. Chase | 17 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$30 00 |

been handicapped. On account of high prices of hay and grain the teamsters wanted more pay and there was a reluctance to go where the work was. We had these pieces of work, namely:

One at Eddyville or Plympton Street from April to November; one at Summer Street from September to November 8; one at Pine Street from August 5 to November 1. About as far apart as you could get them in Town.

This, taken in connection with scraping the outside districts, the entire work done in the village this year, comprising macadamizing Everett Street from Frank to Center Street, and recoating Center from Everett to Main, with our street cleaning of the entire village, catch basins cleaning, sewer work, gravelling sidewalks and school house lawn, cleaning up leaves, street sprinkling, State highway repairs and other miscellaneous work, made it hard to get teams at times therefor. I hired some horses and boarded them. This makes our stable expenses heavy. But the total expense of the horses, including board, veterinary service, repairs of harness, wagons and furnishings, divided by the number of horses worked, makes the cost \$15.69 a month per horse, which is about one-half the earning capacity of each horse.

Outside Districts.

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| We have spent in the outside districts, as | |
| per assistant's account | \$2,432 30 |
| Town teams and men in outside districts | 280 00 |
| Town teams, scraping, in outside districts, | |
| 25 days at \$8.50 | 212 50 |
| 3 snow plows | 30 00 |
| | <hr/> \$2,954 80 |

We have built for Pierce trustees about two miles of macadam road, Plympton Street, which does not show in this account, only so far as Town horses' credit, the trustees paying on payroll. We often hear it said that we do not receive any good from the Pierce fund. Seems to me that with the accumulation of miles of good road, financed by trustees, the most skeptical might see.

Street Sprinkling.

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| Appropriations and receipts | \$1,302 95 |
| Expenditures | 1,258 80 |
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| Balance is figured in highway account | \$44 15 |

Pine Street.

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| Payrolls for Pine Street | \$1,787 32 | |
| Incidentals for Pine Street: | | |
| R. T. Benson, sharpening tools | 18 72 | |
| E. T. Witham, 1168 loads gravel | 50 00 | |
| Frank Short, 470 " " | 23 50 | |
| L. D. Harlow, 75 " " | 3 75 | |
| Gamaliel Cushing, 50 " " | 2 50 | |
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| 1763 loads gravel | | \$1,885 77 |
| Under drained by field and cobble stones: | | |
| Appropriation | \$2,000 00 | |
| | 1,885 77 | |
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| Unexpended | \$114 23 | |

Sidewalks.

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| Payrolls for concrete walks | \$526 46 | \$526 46 |
| Orders drawn: | | |
| Henry Clapp, concrete, School Street, 271 yards at 45 cents. | 121 95 | |
| Freight bill and incidentals on tar tools, etc. | 43 92 | |
| M. N. Cartier, tar, pitch, tools, etc., | 258 57 | |
| Joseph Breck & Son, two rollers | 44 65 | |
| C. H. Carpenter est., gravel | 5 80 | |
| Harold L. Bond, pitch tools, etc. | 94 05 | |
| Taunton Boiler Works, sand dryer | 35 82 | |
| North Middleboro, A. R. Dunham, gravel walks | 97 38 | |
| | <hr/> | 702 14 |
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| | | \$1,228 60 |
| Credit to side walk acct., to be charged to highway acct., 477 yards street crossings at 50 cents per yard. | \$238 50 | |
| Appropriation | 1,000 00 | |
| Expenditures | <hr/> | \$990 10 |
| Balance | \$9 90 | |

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| Value of stock and tools on hand as per valuation highway property | \$206 00 |
| We have laid 1017 yards recoat- ing at 45 cents | 457 65 |
| We have laid 422 yards new work at 65 cents | 287 30 |
| Henry Clapp, 271 yards, School Street, at 45 cents | 121 95 |
| A. R. Dunham, N. Middleboro, gravel | 97 38 |
| Rec. from Henry Clapp for sift- ing gravel | 8 00 |
| Rec. from S. N. Shiverick for sifting gravel | 4 00 |
| On hand at pit, 5 loads gravel at two dollars | 10 00 |
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| | \$1,192 38 |

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| Valuation of 2 new tar kettles | \$60 00 | |
| “ of 2 new concrete bassons | 6 00 | |
| “ of 2 new rollers | 45 00 | |
| “ of 2 new sand screens | 15 00 | |
| “ of 1 new dryer | 35 00 | |
| “ of rakes, shovels, pails, hoes, dippers, etc., | 10 00 | |
| Valuation of 7 bbls. tar | 20 00 | |
| “ of 4 large bbls. of pitch | 15 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$206 00 |

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| Crusher plant at Town barn | \$2,500 00 |
| Steam roller | 1,000 00 |
| 18 snow plows | 350 00 |
| 14 street cranes | 350 00 |
| Town stable and lot | 2,750 00 |
| 1 lot of land on Centre Street | 1,200 00 |
| 1 street sprinkling cart | 325 00 |
| 2 street sprinkling carts | 250 00 |
| 1 set platform scales | 50 00 |
| 4 horses, 2 carts, 5 sets double harnesses | 1,100 00 |
| 1 extra tip cart | 100 00 |
| 1 single tip cart | 25 00 |
| 1 single cart harness | 20 00 |

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| 1 spreading | \$200 00 |
| 1 two horse gear | 125 00 |
| 1 two horse gear | 75 00 |
| 3 road scrapers | 300 00 |
| 1 tool cart | 5 00 |
| 1 stone drag | 15 00 |
| 2 Watson wagons | 280 00 |
| 1 jobbing wagon | 40 00 |
| 2 bob sleds | 100 00 |
| 1 heavy harrow, plows, chains, ropes, tools, etc. | 200 00 |
| Building material | 100 00 |
| 1 portable bin screen and elevator | 300 00 |
| 400 tons stone crusher | 200 00 |
| | —————\$12,166 00 |

We have traded stone crushers this year, getting a new No. 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ Acme 10x18 capacity, the Pierce trustees paying the difference, \$600.00. Many thanks to them.

Thanks to the assistants for interest shown in their several departments.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN C. CHACE, Supt. of Streets.

Sewers.

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| April 19, payrolls | \$9 50 | |
| September 10, payrolls | 28 00 | |
| September 20, payrolls | 68 83 | |
| September 27, payrolls | 69 00 | |
| October 5, payrolls | 96 89 | |
| October 11, payrolls | 12 75 | |
| October 26, G. K. & B. Sears, old bill | 39 21 | |
| November 8, New England Brick Co. | 7 15 | |
| December 13, A. G. Hayes, care Town House sewer | 5 00 | |
| T. W. Pierce, 8-in. pipe for Pearl Street | 84 25 | |
| Harold Z. Bond, sewer cleaners | 108 55 | |
| | ————— | \$529 13 |
| Overdrawn, 1906 | | 293 10 |
| | | ————— |
| | | \$822 23 |
| Appropriations | \$300 00 | |
| Sewer entrances | 475 00 | |
| | ————— | 775 00 |
| Overdrawn | | ————— |
| | | \$47 23 |

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN C. CHACE, Supt. of Sewers.

Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths.

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| Payrolls | | \$837 41 |
| May 25, Stodard, Richard Co., burlap, twine, etc. | \$33 66 | |
| July 19, J. & G. E. Doane, tools | 2 57 | |
| October 18, printing circular | 2 00 | |
| December 28, M. H. Cushing Co., oil | 26 | |
| December 31, Harold L. Bond Co. | 3 70 | |
| December 31, C. F. Anderson, oil | 2 20 | |
| | <hr/> | 44 39 |
| Appropriations | | \$300 00 |
| Received, Pierce trustees | | 600 00 |
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| | | \$900 00 |
| Expenditures | | 881 80 |
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| Balance | | \$18 20 |

We find the moths have gained quite a hold in the woods adjoining the Carver line, the increase in other places is small but the wood colonies are expensive to clear up. Carver has a large force at work next to the Middleboro line.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. CHACE,
Local Superintendent.

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1907.

Following is a classified list of complaints received by the Board:

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| Rubbish | 36 |
| Overflowing cesspools | 48 |
| Defective drains | 26 |
| Unclean premises | 22 |
| Unclean cellars | 12 |
| Hog pens | 8 |
| Offensive privies | 35 |

Care of our gutters.

There has been no improvement during the past year on the care of our gutters, and it is no fault of the Superintendent of Streets that it is as it is. And until it can be separated and placed under the care of the Board of Health such trouble is liable to exist.

Bakeries.

The bakeries have been examined as required by law and found in a neat and clean condition.

The Public Dump.

We said in our report one year ago, that we had built a fence and opened a new road so we could still use the dump.

The public were dumping so near the Standard Oil tanks that it was not safe to have one there. The public concluded they would use the old road and tore down the fence, even to the pulling up of the posts. We have been obliged to clean up our dump around the Standard Oil tanks for our own safety, in order to use the dump. The Company then notified the Board through its agent that they would furnish wire for a fence, and see if it could not stay put. The railroad became interested and furnished sleepers for posts and we have done the work.

Swill.

As I said in my report last year that we might have to do as other towns have done to get our swill removed, and on the first of October we found ourselves without a swill team. As the result a part of our Town went into convulsions, but it is slowly recovering and further improvements are anticipated. It was not generally confined to the poor classes, but it was the man to whom a silver dollar looks larger than a cart wheel. I was interviewed—a small boy came to see me. He wanted to know what I had to say about that order. He said he had taken the matter up and was going to show the Board up. I asked him who he was and he said he was a reporter, and I could not smuggle the press. He wanted my face to put in the paper of which he was a reporter, and with it an explanation of the notice.

I did not do it. In a few days my innocent little notice which I had put in the local papers appeared in the Boston Journal, put in three-cornered, embellished with the faces of five or six women whose faces I never saw before and whose names I could not pronounce.

Milk.

Our milk has been inspected several times during the year, and none has been found below the standard. I said in my last year's report that other improvements in the care and cleanliness of the milk would be made which has been done, and done by the State. It is not so much the milk men who peddle the milk, but the ones from whom they buy. The matter is to be followed up pretty sharply this year. The old idea that the more manure you get on a cow to keep her warm, the less grain had to be fed, is a thing of the past, but I regret to say, that some farmers still hold to that old time idea. And if they want a pattern to go by, take a car ride up to the well kept barns of Sidney T. Nelson, and see how much easier it is to have a clean place. It is impossible at the present time to give a correct list of the licensed milk dealers in Town.

Spitting.

There has been no improvement during the past year, and instead we have been going the other way. Our signs have been torn down and people do not realize today the importance of the work. "Tuberculosis" is a sign that should be in every one's mind when he attempts to spit upon the sidewalk, yet, people will stand on our street corners and instead of using the gutters

will turn around and spit on the sidewalk. It is one of the worst habits that falls to the lot of man to have. I once, when a boy, went to stay all night with another boy, and when we got into bed he spit on his hands to pull up the bed-clothes. I am reminded of this when I see people spitting on the sidewalk.

Inspection of Dressed Beef.

The work of the year just passed : I have examined 622 hogs, 47 beeves ; condemned 6 animals and revoked 1 license.

Contagious Diseases.

We have had 15 cases of contagious diseases : 1 case of diphtheria, 2 cases of typhoid fever, 4 cases of tuberculosis, 8 cases of scarlet fever.

There has been but one school closed, and that closed itself as the pupils would not come. There has been some talk about and fault-finding with the wells at the different schools — the water was not fit to drink.

I have had the water analyzed twice. The one at Nemasket has been pronounced by the State Assayer that the analysis was complete, and it was a living spring with an inlet and outlet, but with some odor but no taste. As a result of this odor, the teacher and scholars refuse to drink it.

Hens.

The keeping of hens in this village has become a first-class nuisance. You set out a few shrubs on your lawn, and perhaps a flower bed, and if room, a little garden, only to have your neighbor's hen sure to have everything scratched up before morning.

The Board will soon be obliged to pass an order that no hens shall be kept within the limits of this village except on the premises that they own and occupy, and no hen pen shall be within ten feet of the street.

Plumbing.

There has been during the past year sixteen applications and inspection of plumbing, beside necessary repairing of old plumbing.

The following is a list of plumbers :

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| Myron W. Baxter | \$2 00 |
| Thomas W. Pierce | 2 00 |
| Geo. E. Doane | 2 00 |
| Martin O. Rounseville | 2 00 |
| Lloyd Perkins | 2 00 |
| Geo. E. Benn | 2 00 |
| Ansel G. Hayes | 2 00 |
| Alfred Walker | 2 00 |
| Geo. Thomas | 2 00 |
| R. Henry Ellis | 50 |
| Geo. W. Bryant | 50 |

In closing my report for the year, I would say on the subject of swill, that in the opinion of the Board, the time has come when the Town should collect the swill, and run a piggery at their farm, and that more attention should be given by the Town to the care and cleanliness of the village.

JAMES A. BURGESS,
Agent.

Expenses for Contagious Diseases.

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| Melvin & Badger, sulpho-naphthol | \$2 50 |
| The De Pree Chemical Co.—formaldehyde fumigator | 10 20 |
| Smith & Hathaway | 9 36 |
| Dr. C. S. Cummings | 10 50 |
| Dr. Holmes | 67 50 |
| James A Burgess, services on contagious diseases | 155 50 |

Incidental Expenses.

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| James A. Burgess, 71½ days at \$3.00 | \$214 50 |
| James A. Burgess, expenses | 27 90 |
| T. W. Pierce | 16 23 |
| M. H. Cushing Co. | 3 83 |
| So. Mass. Tel. Co. | 19 13 |
| Lorenzo Wood, printing | 28 50 |
| Middleboro News, printing | 22 32 |
| B. J. Allen, for services | 25 00 |
| Otis Briggs, horse hire | 8 00 |
| Clara G. Thomas, clerical work | 5 00 |
| J. McNally Est., labor | 14 25 |
| Morris Welch, labor | 2 00 |

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| Foster Tinkham, burying horse | \$3 00 |
| Wm. M. Briggs, burying dog | 1 50 |
| H. L. Thatcher & Co., printing | 1 25 |
| Edward McQuiggan, care public dump | 20 00 |
| W. C. Haskins, burying dog | 1 00 |
| T. G. Sisson, horse hire and carting rubbish | 14 50 |
| Thomas Hinks, labor | 3 75 |
| A. C. Cosseboom, labor and expense on night soil cart | 54 50 |
| C. P. Washburn, lime | 2 25 |
| Milton Jones, labor | 8 60 |
| J. K. & B. Sears | 1 29 |

Plumbing.

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| Ansel G. Hayes, services and Inspector of Plumbing | \$47 10 |
| J. A. Burgess, services and expenses on Board of Plumbing | 35 35 |
| Total amount expended | <hr/> \$836 31 |
| Balance from last year | \$1 08 |
| Appropriation | 850 00 |
| Licenses | 47 50 |
| | <hr/> \$898 58 |
| Balance for 1908 | <hr/> \$62 27 |

Valuation of Property.

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| Night soil cart | \$100 00 |
| Cart cleaning gutters | 10 00 |
| Formaldehyde & lamp | 35 00 |
| 8 iron barrels | 6 00 |
| Tools | 3 00 |
| | <hr/> \$154 00 |

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK.

The following is an abstract from the records of the Annual Town Meeting and its adjournments also of the State Election.

At 8 a. m., March 4, 1907, the inhabitants of the town of Middleboro met in the Town Hall. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Alvin C. Howes.

Voted:—To indefinitely postpone any action regarding abolishing precinct voting, also as to charging a rental for use of the sewers.

Voted:—That a committee of three be appointed by the chair to nominate a committee of three to be voted upon as a committee for the suppression of crime. The chair appointed M. H. Cushing, Augustus Pratt and Geo. W. Stetson, who reported the names of David S. Surrey, Kenelm Winslow and Herbert S. Sylvester, who were then chosen as the committee for the suppression of crime.

Voted:—To appropriate \$1000 for the use of this committee to be paid by the order of the Selectmen.

Voted:—To appropriate the sum of \$45 for a memorial stone having the name "Middleborough 1669" cut in said stone to go into the Cape Cod Pilgrim Monument at Provincetown.

The following letter was read :

Middleboro, March 4, 1907.

To the Voters of the Town of Middleboro :

At a hearing given by the Committee on Appropriations to the School Committee of the Town of Middleboro, Mr. W. H. Southworth appeared on behalf of the Board and asked the Appropriation Committee to recommend the sum of \$1,538 for repairs and alterations to the High School building not completed last year and also for a new heating apparatus.

The Committee on Appropriations thought the sum asked was too much and recommended the sum of \$1,200. Two of the members of said committee are also trustees under the will of Thomas S. Pierce and with the consent of the third trustee make the following proposition :

If the voters of the Town of Middleboro will place the matter of repairs of the heating plant of the Middleboro High School

building in the hands of the aforesaid trustees, as well as the matter of repairs and alterations of said High School building, we will set aside a part of the income of said estate, not to exceed the sum of \$1,600, for the purposes mentioned above and carry out the same, the details of said repairs and alterations to be determined by conference with members of the School Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER E. WESTON,
GEORGE W. STETSON,
GEORGE R. SAMPSON,

Trustees under the will of Thomas S. Pierce.

The proposition of the Trustees was accepted.

Voted : — That the sale of the Alewives be left in the hands of the Selectmen and that said officers be instructed to confer with State Fish and Game Commission in regard to securing proper rights for the Alewives to pass up the river, also to investigate the present condition of the Fishway at East Taunton.

Voted : To authorize the School Committee to insure the High School Building and the new School Street Building.

Voted : To authorize the Town Treasurer under the direction of the Selectmen to borrow in anticipation of taxes a sum not exceeding \$45,000.

Voted : — To reimburse William A. Green and John M. Luipold a sum not to exceed \$200.00.

Voted : — That the polls be not closed before 5.30 p. m. and that when the meeting adjourns it be till March 13, at 7 p. m.

The moderator declared a recess till 11.30 to prepare the room for balloting. The following named persons were sworn as Election Officers :

Isaac M. Foye, Walter L. Beals, Chas. W. Kingman, Edward H. Blake, Edward W. Drummond, Henry W. Sears, Chester E. Weston, Walter M. Snow, Bert J. Allan, Michael J. Cronan, James J. O'Hara, Walter A. I. Clark, Alton G. Pratt, George F. Bryant, James A. Thomas, William Egger and H. B. Surrey.

At 11.30 balloting began.

At 1.45 the box was opened, the ballots removed the Register stood 615, the ballots counted 614.

At 3.15 p. m. the box was again opened. The register stood 764 the number of ballots 763.

At 4.10 the box was again opened. Register 808, ballots 807.

At 5.30 the box was again opened. The register standing 856 and the total ballots counted 855, and the polls were closed. At 6.30 the vote was declared.

The persons chosen to office were as follows :

Alvin C. Howes, Moderator, one year.
 Amos H. Eaton, Treasurer, one year.
 Amos H. Eaton, Collector of Taxes, one year.
 Cornelius H. Leonard, Selectman, three years.
 Allerton Thompson, Assessor, three years.
 Charles M. Thatcher, Overseer of Poor, three years.
 Elisha T. P. Jenks, School Committee, three years.
 Charles S. Tinkham, School Committee, three years.
 Wilkes H. F. Pettee, Municipal Lt. Board, three years.
 Percy W. Keith, Auditor, one year.
 Luther S. Bailey, Tree warden, one year.
 William M. Haskins, Fish warden, one year.
 Lyman P. Thomas, Fish warden, one year.
 Edwin F. Witham, Fish warden, one year.
 James A. Burgess, Board of Health, three years.
 Walter Sampson, Trustee Public Library, one year.
 George Brayton, Trustee Public Library, three years.
 Edward S. Hathaway, Trustee Public Library, three years.
 Andrew M. Wood, Trustee Public Library, three years.
 Rufus Carpenter, Fence Viewer, one year.
 J. Foster Penniman, Fence Viewer, one year.
 Zenas E. Phinney, Fence Viewer, one year.

| License Vote. | |
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| Yes | 360 |
| No | 449 |
| Blank | 43 |
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| Total | 852 |

Three ballots were cast for School Committee only.

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| F. Herbert Batchelder | Constable, 1 year. |
| Samuel S. Lovell | “ “ |
| John M. Luippold | “ “ |
| Fred C. Sparrow | “ “ |
| David S. Surrey | “ “ |
| Harry W. Swift | “ “ |
| Fred A. Thomas | “ “ |
| Ichabod B. Thomas | “ “ |

Adjourned Annual Town Meeting. March 13th, Augustus M. Bearse was chosen Clerk and sworn by the Moderator.

The Moderator appointed as Committee on Appropriations the following :

George W. Stetson,
Chester E. Weston,
Charles N. Atwood,

Granville E. Tillson,
Augustus Pratt,
Amos H. Eaton.

This committee was divided to examine into the matter of salaries of all town officers to the end that a more equitable system may prevail ; that they report their recommendations to the next annual Town Meeting, and that the authority they now have in connection with their regular duties be extended to cover the work of this report.

Voted :—To accept the list of Jurors as posted omitting the names of George A. Cox, Edwin F. Witham and Carlton W. Maxim and adding the names of Frank S. Thomas, Nathaniel F. Shurtleff, Walter M. Snow, Joseph Carver and Charles W. Swett.

Voted :—That the yards of persons chosen Field Drivers shall be Town Pounds so long as they remain in office, provided they shall be chosen Pound Keepers.

Voted :—That the amount of money received for licenses be appropriated for the use of the Public Library.

Voted :—That the School Committee and the Municipal Light Board be paid \$150 each, the Tree Warden \$100, and the Auditor \$100.

Voted :—To pay the committee on appropriations, \$10 each.

Voted :—To authorize the Selectmen to institute, compromise or defend suits for or against the town during the coming year.

Chester E. Weston, Lyman P. Thomas and James A. Burgess were appointed a committee to examine Pearl Street and report at the adjourned meeting concerning the extension of the sewer.

Voted :—That a committee of three (none of whom shall be officers of the town) be appointed by the Moderator, and that they be authorized and empowered to investigate the affairs and condition of the Highway and Sewer Departments of the town, during the past five years, in order to ascertain the methods employed in the expenditure of and accounting for the public money, that they report their findings at the next adjourned town meeting and that they be empowered to employ such clerical or other assistance as they may deem necessary and expend therefor a sum not to exceed \$150.00.

George F. Tucker, George F. Bryant and James A. Thomas were appointed the committee.

Voted :—That a committee of three be appointed by the chair to consider the matter of a re-valuation of the property of the town and report at the adjourned meeting.

The Moderator appointed A. M. Bearse, C. H. Leonard and C. E. Weston.

Following is the list of appropriations:

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Post 8, G. A. R. | \$200 00 |
| High school insurance | 648 00 |
| Sprinkling streets (\$600 to be assessed on abutters) | 1,200 00 |
| Night watch | 700 00 |
| Sidewalks (\$100 to be used in N. Middleboro) | 1,000 00 |
| Support of schools | 27,700 00 |
| School transportation | 2,000 00 |
| School repairs | 1,000 00 |
| School Committee | 150 00 |
| Support of poor | 8,000 00 |
| Soldiers relief | 3,000 00 |
| Military aid | 200 00 |
| Town officers | 2,800 00 |
| Incidentals | 2,500 00 |
| Water supply | 1,500 00 |
| Town debt | 8,900 00 |
| Municipal light plant | |
| Interest required | 3,061 79 |
| Note due | 750 00 |
| Bonds due | 2,000 00 |
| Depreciation, 1906 | 3,516 95 |
| Depreciation, 1907 | 1,409 27 |
| Suburban lighting | 450 00 |
| Commissioner's salary | 150 00 |
| Board of health | 850 00 |
| Highway department | 8,500 00 |
| Highway department, Pine Street | 2000 00 |
| Police | 250 00 |
| Tree warden | 250 00 |
| Town house commission | 400 00 |
| Public Library | 400 00 |
| Gypsy and brown tail moths | 300 00 |

And that the award from New Bedford, \$3,896.50 be a part of above appropriation for gas and electric light plant.

Adjourned Annual Meeting, April 10.

The following named persons were chosen to serve as measurers of Wood, Lumber and Bark.

John L. Benson.

James A. Thomas.

Ephraim H. Gammons.
 Charles A. Lee.
 George H. Vaughan.
 Isaac E. Perkins.
 Edwin F. Witham.
 Albert F. Mitchell.
 Henry W. Sears.
 Harrison W. Atwood.
 Chester E. Weston.

George E. Gove.
 Albert S. Sparrow.
 Curtis H. Dunham.
 Elmer B. Cole.
 Gustavus G. Andrews.
 Benjamin C. Shaw.
 Nathaniel A. Shurtleff.
 Charles N. Atwood.
 Albert T. Savery.

The following are Field Drivers and Pound Keepers:

James A. Burgess.
 James A. Thomas.
 Howard M. Bishop.

Lyman P. Thomas.
 William L. Faxon.
 Lucius M. Fuller.

Charles H. Soule.

The Committee to investigate the Highway and Sewer Departments reported, and the report was accepted. The Report was as follows:

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Middleboro:

Your committee appointed at the last town meeting to investigate the affairs and condition of the Highway and Sewer departments during the past five years respectfully report their findings as follows:

We have personally examined the accounts for the year 1906, spending three half days thereon, and have had the accounts for the years 1903, 1904 and 1905 examined under our supervision, the labor of one person having been required for nearly two weeks. There are apparently no accounts for the year 1902. Between our findings and the accounts furnished to the town at the annual meetings there is only a fractional variance. The system employed seems to be as follows:

All bills other than those for labor are first approved by the Superintendent and then an order therefor is drawn by the Selectmen. In some cases there are no vouchers on file, presumably due to the negligence of the creditor in not sending the voucher to the Superintendent upon receiving the check; but the payments in such cases are always authorized by the Selectmen's order.

In the case of labor on the streets and sewers no pay-roll has been used previously to January 1, 1907, a pay-roll system having been adopted since that date. The practice has been to use small time-books about the size of the ordinary flat wallet. The names of the men appear upon the margin of the left-hand open page.

To the right on the same page is a record of the hours in which they have been employed. The amount paid appears on the right-hand open page, and on the margin of that page is a place for the acknowledgement of receipt of the money.

In many cases marks of those unable to write appear, but none of these marks are witnessed. In a very few cases there is neither signature nor mark. The practice seems to be for the Superintendent to present these time-books each week to the Selectmen and for the Selectmen to draw an order for the gross amount upon the town Treasurer, who pays the amount to the Superintendent and the Superintendent then pays the men.

It is the belief of your committee that this practice has been of very long standing previously to January 1st, 1907.

The present indebtedness of the Sewer Department is as follows:

| | | |
|--|----------|----------|
| Overdraft construction of Mayflower Avenue sewer | | \$293.10 |
| Cost of sewer Court End Avenue | \$423.28 | |
| Deduct two catch basins belonging to Street Department | 50.00 | 373.28 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total debt Sewer Department, | | \$666.38 |

The \$293.10 is mostly due for labor, and the \$373.28 has been borrowed from the Street Department.

Your committee advertised a public hearing in the Town Hall on Thursday, April 3rd, at 2.15 p. m., but no one appeared. We have expended in the discharge of our duties the sum of thirty-one dollars and fifty cents.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE FOX TUCKER.
JAMES A. THOMAS.
GEORGE F. BRYANT.

The Committee on Pearl Street reported that the work could be done for about \$300.

It Was Voted: That the Sewer on Pearl Street should be extended towards Center Street a distance not to exceed 550 feet.

The Committee on re-valuation reported: That the Committee had held several meetings and had made considerable investigation. It was the unanimous opinion of the members of the Committee that a full and complete re-valuation of the property in the town should be made and to that end the Committee

recommend that four Assistant Assessors be chosen and that the moderator appoint a committee of three to retire and nominate and bring in the names of four suitable persons for the positions.

The Report was accepted and the Moderator appointed A. M. Bearse, C. H. Leonard and C. E. Weston as the Committee. On the return of the Committee they reported the nomination of Edgar D. Work, Samuel N. Shivirick, Walter A. Shaw and Gilbert H. Simmons as Assistant Assessors. By viva voce vote the above-named persons were chosen as Assistant Assessors.

Voted : — That the number, location and hours of service of all street lights, shall be under the direction of the Selectmen from July 1, 1907.

Voted : To appropriate \$750 additional for Town Officers.

Voted : To raise \$84,326.01 and such other sums as may be necessary to pay the State and County Taxes upon the polls and estates, assess, commit and collect the same in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws.

Voted : To pay the Moderator \$15 for his services.

At the Annual election the following is the record of Precinct 1.

Precinct Officers.

Enoch Pratt, Warden.
Edward B. Whitmarsh, Deputy Warden.
Percy W. Keith, Clerk.
Bert J. Allan, Deputy Clerk.
Benj. E. Holmes, Inspector.
Thomas J. Pratt, Inspector.
Alton G. Pratt, Deputy Inspector.
M. V. B. Pratt, Deputy Inspector.
Ballots cast, 50.

For Governor.

| | |
|---------------------|----|
| Charles W. Bartlett | 1 |
| Curtis Guild | 43 |
| Thomas L. Hisgen | 2 |
| Henry M. Whitney | 4 |

Lieut. Governor.

| | |
|-------------------|----|
| E. Gerry Brown | 3 |
| Eben S. Draper | 41 |
| Geo. A. Schofield | 3 |
| Blanks | 3 |

Secretary.

| | |
|----------------------|----|
| Odilon Q. E. Charest | 1 |
| William M. Olin | 44 |
| Dennis J. Ring | 1 |
| Blanks | 4 |

Treasurer.

| | |
|--------------------|----|
| Edward J. Cantwell | 1 |
| Arthur B. Chapin | 43 |
| Daniel F. Doherty | 1 |
| Blanks | 5 |

Auditor.

| | |
|--------------------|----|
| Joseph A. Conry | 2 |
| Thomas E. Finnerty | 1 |
| James F. Pease | 1 |
| Henry E. Turner | 41 |
| Blanks | 5 |

Attorney General.

| | |
|--------------------|----|
| Allen Coffin | 1 |
| Dana Malone | 41 |
| James E. McConnell | 1 |
| William N. Osgood | 1 |
| Blanks | 6 |

Councillor, 1st District.

| | |
|----------------------|----|
| George J. Alcott | 1 |
| Charles O. Brightman | 45 |
| Blanks | 4 |

Senator, 2nd Plymouth District.

| | |
|--------------------|----|
| George H. Garfield | 43 |
| Patrick F. Sheehan | 3 |
| Blanks | 4 |

Representative in General Court, 7th Plymouth District.

| | |
|-------------------|----|
| Joseph E. Beals | 38 |
| George Fox Tucker | 11 |
| Blanks | 1 |

County Commissioner.

| | |
|-------------------|----|
| Edward P. Boynton | 7 |
| Walter H. Faunce | 39 |
| Blanks | 4 |

Associate Commissioners.

| | |
|--------------------|----|
| Henry A. Harlow | 2 |
| Martin Howland | 2 |
| Albert T. Sprague | 39 |
| Ezekiel R. Studley | 29 |
| Blanks | 28 |

District Attorney.

| | |
|------------------|----|
| Thomas E. Grover | 40 |
| Blanks | 10 |

Sheriff.

| | |
|-------------------|----|
| Edward G. Knight | 1 |
| Henry S. Porter | 40 |
| William E. Supple | 3 |
| Blanks | 6 |

Register of Probate and Insolvency.

| | |
|-------------------|----|
| Sumner A. Chapman | 39 |
| Oliver Cushman | 4 |
| Blanks | 7 |

Amendment to the Constitution.

| | |
|--------|----|
| Yes | 21 |
| No | 6 |
| Blanks | 23 |

PRECINCT TWO.**Election Officers.**

George F. Bryant, Warden.
 Chester E. Weston, Deputy Warden.
 Walter L. Beals, Clerk.
 Edwin F. Witham, Deputy Clerk and Teller.
 William M. Haskins, Inspector.
 E. S. R. Jenks, Deputy Inspector and Teller.
 Edgar D. Wood, Inspector.
 Walter M. Snow, Deputy Inspector and Teller.
 Henry M. Sears, Teller.
 Charles W. Kingman, Teller.
 William S. Anderson, Teller.
 Zenas E. Phinney, Teller.
 Warren B. Stetson, Teller.
 Michael J. Cronan, Teller.
 Charles M. Thacher, Teller.
 Harry W. Swift, Officer.

Result of Ballot.

| | |
|------------|-----|
| Total Vote | 775 |
|------------|-----|

For Governor.

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Charles W. Bartlett | 20 |
| Thomas F. Brennan | 7 |
| John W. Brown | 8 |
| Hervey S. Cowell | 19 |
| Curtis Guild, Jr. | 463 |
| Thomas L. Hisgen | 144 |
| Henry M. Whitney | 83 |
| Blanks | 31 |

For Lieutenant-Governor.

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| E. Gerry Brown | 153 |
| John T. Cahill | 15 |
| Eben S. Draper | 430 |
| Walter J. Hoar | 7 |
| Robert Lawrence | 4 |
| Jonathan S. Lewis | 23 |
| George A. Schofield | 77 |
| John B. Moran | 1 |
| Blanks | 65 |

For Secretary.

| | |
|----------------------|-----|
| Solon W. Bingham | 23 |
| Odilon Q. E. Charest | 69 |
| John Hall, Jr., | 13 |
| William M. Olin | 473 |
| Arthur E. Reimer | 4 |
| Dennis J. Ring | 88 |
| Blanks | 105 |

For Treasurer.

| | |
|----------------------|-----|
| Albert Barnes | 8 |
| Edward J. Cantwell | 82 |
| Arthur B. Chapin | 459 |
| William P. Connery | 7 |
| Daniel F. Doherty | 75 |
| Charles C. Hitchcock | 9 |
| Edward Kendall | 26 |
| Blanks | 109 |

For Auditor.

| | |
|--------------------|-----|
| Joao Claudino | 8 |
| Joseph A. Conroy | 75 |
| Thomas E. Finnerty | 80 |
| George G. Hall | 12 |
| James F. Pease | 29 |
| Henry E. Turner | 449 |
| Blanks | 122 |

For Attorney General.

| | |
|--------------------|-----|
| Allen Coffin | 36 |
| Dana Malone | 430 |
| John McCarthy | 11 |
| James E. McConnell | 79 |
| William N. Osgood | 88 |
| Harvey H. Pratt | 15 |
| Gilbert G. Smith | 1 |
| Blanks | 115 |

For Councillor.

| | |
|----------------------|-----|
| George J. Alcott | 55 |
| Charles O. Brightman | 479 |
| Edmund H. Cushing | 45 |
| Edgar D. Wood | 1 |
| D. D. Sullivan | 1 |
| Blanks | 194 |

For Senator.

| | |
|--------------------|-----|
| George H. Garfield | 471 |
| Patrick F. Sheehan | 175 |
| Blanks | 129 |

For Representative in General Court.

| | |
|-------------------|-----|
| Joseph E. Beals | 359 |
| George Fox Tucker | 394 |
| Blanks | 22 |

For County Commissioner.

| | |
|-------------------|-----|
| Edward P. Boynton | 178 |
| Thomas H. Dunn | 19 |
| Walter H. Faunce | 449 |
| Madison W. Morey | 19 |
| Blanks | 110 |

For Associate Commissioners.

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Francis Chamberlain | 24 |
| George B. Cushman | 30 |
| Henry A. Harlow | 93 |
| Israel H. Hatch | 23 |
| Martin Howland | 79 |
| Joseph R. Smith | 20 |
| Albert T. Sprague | 403 |
| Ezekiel R. Studley | 333 |
| Blanks | 545 |

For District Attorney.

| | |
|------------------|-----|
| Thomas E. Grover | 494 |
| Charles Ryder | 1 |
| Blanks | 280 |

For Sheriff.

| | |
|-------------------|-----|
| Francis J. Burke | 32 |
| Edward G. Knight | 29 |
| Henry S. Porter | 479 |
| William E. Supple | 97 |
| Blanks | 138 |

For Register of Probate and Insolvency.

| | |
|-------------------|-----|
| Sumner A. Chapman | 465 |
| Oliver Cushman | 139 |
| Blanks | 171 |

Vote on Amendment to Constitution.

| | |
|--------|-----|
| Yes | 355 |
| No | 116 |
| Blanks | 304 |

Meeting adjourned at 5.40 P. M.

Result of canvass by Town Clerks of the vote cast in the District for Representative.

| | Total | For Beals. | For Tucker. | Blanks. |
|------------|------------|------------|-------------|----------|
| Middleboro | 825 | 397 | 405 | 23 |
| Kingston | 283 | 179 | 78 | 26 |
| Halifax | 41 | 27 | 7 | 7 |
| Plympton | 53 | 39 | 10 | 4 |
| | <hr/> 1202 | <hr/> 642 | <hr/> 500 | <hr/> 60 |

BIRTHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF MIDDLEBORO
DURING THE YEAR 1907.

| Date. | Name. | Names of Parents. |
|---------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1906 | | |
| Dec. 29 | Alden Stringer | Ephraim E. and Hattie A. Atwood |
| 1907 | | |
| Jan. 9 | Evelyn N. Tripp | George F. and Effie M. Linton |
| 11 | Norman Sumner Goodwin | Charles H. and Hattie S. Miller |
| 15 | Ivan Philip Shaw | Ralph N. and Hannah Sparrow |
| 17 | Mary Ann Louisa Larue | Louis and Josephine Boulanger |
| 20 | Alvin Theodore Rudolph | Louis F. and Mary E. Morris |
| 21 | Illegitimate | |
| 23 | George Bertram Thomas | Fred A. and Rebecca L. Howes |
| 24 | Joseph Philip Clestian | Joseph A. and Jeanette C. Charland |
| 24 | Amelian Gauthier Clestian | Joseph A. and Jeanette C. Charland |
| Feb. 1 | Carroll Sheldon Staples | Fred N. and Bertha E. Bopp |
| 4 | ————— Brown | Willis F. and Altomera Chase |
| 8 | Marie Alice Philomene April | Joseph and |
| 8 | Stephen Warren Bump | Myron A. and Bessie F. Merrihew |
| 9 | Catherine Elizabeth Campbell | Henry J. and Elizabeth J. Fife |
| 14 | Ellsworth Morse Butler | Frank J. and Submit Burkholder |
| 14 | Elsie May Crowell | Burpee E. and Sarah A. Compton |
| 17 | Thelma May Wright | Fred A. and Elizabeth F. Pearce |
| 20 | Mildred Jeanette Orr | James and Ida L. Bassinette |
| 26 | Illegitimate | |
| 28 | Warren Franklin Barrows | Fred W. and Ethel M. Smith |
| Mar. 3 | Alfred Myers Donato | Robert J. and Isadore B. Simpson |
| 11 | Lawrence Forsberg Commeau | Joseph and Ida E. Forsberg |
| 14 | Marion Louise Drake | Herbert F. and Florence L. Hunt |
| 15 | Norman Linwood Flood | William and Viola L. Millard |
| 16 | Emma Frances Davis | Clifford W. and Jennie W. Worcester |
| 22 | Arthur Wesley Littlefield | Harry G. and Avis M. Corbett |
| 28 | Joseph Silva | Antonia and Frances Silva |
| 29 | Helen Louise Nickerson | William and Emma E. Perkins |
| Apr. 3 | Leo Bertrand Tobey | Bertram E. & Josephine M. Bernier |
| 7 | Joseph Richard Blanchard | Joseph P. and Anna M. Dauburand |
| 7 | Yvonne M. Gregoire | Napoleon and Marie St. Amant |
| 12 | Timothy John Creedon | John J. and Abigail Curran |
| 13 | Stillborn | |
| 14 | Polly McFarlin | Sampson and Pamela F. Caswell |
| 20 | Marie DeGloria Millo | John B. and Marianna Azevedo |
| 20 | Robert Greaves | Arthur and Sarah Satchell |
| 21 | Bernard Michael Courtney | Leo and Mary Ella Keefe |
| 28 | Elsie Worth Anderson | Charles S. and Nora W. Standish |
| 30 | Lillian Frances Blu | Guy and Agnus Leland |
| May 4 | Albert Chase Pero | Leonard F. and Lizzie M. Chase |
| 6 | Edith Gertrude Logan | Fred M. and Sarah A. Vickery |
| 7 | Mary Irene Sampson | Joseph E. and Mary I. Sampson |
| 8 | Russell Henry Porter | Chester H. and Isabella F. Atwood |
| 10 | Edna May Murray | Joseph and Lizzie Godbeau |

BIRTHS—*Continued.*

| Date. | Name. | Name of Parents. |
|---------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| May 10 | Alfred Walter Francis Wilmot | Woodbury and Mary |
| 11 | Charles Cuthbert Murray | Walter W. and Lucy Commeau |
| 15 | Barbara Augusta Thomas | Edward M. and Loretta M. Venno |
| 17 | Illegitimate | |
| 17 | George Lawrence Duarte | Jean and Marie |
| 18 | Marie Delma Victoria Gabrey | Louis and Evelyn Ratty |
| 18 | Mara Christiana Dextraze | Euclide and Marie Strilla |
| 18 | Stillborn and illegitimate | |
| 20 | Philomena Silva | Joseph and Philomena de Concercao |
| 20 | Fred Soucie | Henry and Matilda McQuire |
| 31 | John Henry Morrison | John E. and |
| June 1 | Rose Caroline Winterhalder | Henry M. and Mary D. Lowe |
| 2 | ——— Hupper | Charles E. and Emma R. Davis |
| 2 | Myron Anderson Dunham | George A. and Annie A. Gifford |
| 3 | Charles Leon Vaughan | Henry M. and Rosina I. Hill |
| 4 | Louise Frances Randall | Edgar F. and Fannie S. Cudworth |
| 5 | Helen Idora Boyce | Lester G. and Lilla E. Wilbur |
| 8 | Harold Clinton Gates | Clinton B. and Della E. Westgate |
| 10 | Earl Carl Snow | Francis H. and France H. Clark |
| 15 | Pearl Leona Clark | Frederick A. and Phoebe J. Pittsley |
| 17 | Everett Ellsworth Logan | William J. and Frances M. Cole |
| 26 | George Adrian Roy | Augustus and Cordelia Fournier |
| 28 | Josephine Casey | Charles H. and Mary E. Sullivan |
| 29 | Peter Antoné Lepere | Antoné Rabite and Nellie Filaro |
| 30 | Arleen Ethel Wardwell | William C. and Mary E. Wilbur |
| 30 | Stillborn | |
| July 5 | Dorothy May Thomas | Bertram L. and Lizzie Briggs |
| 6 | Robert Thomas Roht | Robert and Anna E. Thomas |
| 7 | John Francis McGrady | John R. and Mary Ann Peet |
| 7 | Leah Marguerite Boutine | Adelard and Octavie Gregoire |
| 8 | ——— Maynard | Louis A. and Mary E. Andrews |
| 9 | Evelyn Irene Shurtleff | Archie M. and Mary Alice Perry |
| 9 | ——— Michel | Manuel and Rosa Duarte |
| 12 | Everett Walter Howard | Charles F. and Mary E. Stevens |
| 17 | Alexander Reckwich Ketsudicy | Alec and Paulina Boula |
| 18 | Illegitimate | |
| 22 | Stillborn | |
| 22 | William Badland Whitworth | Francis and Daisy Badland |
| 22 | Phillis Florilla Owens | Albert R. and Maud Roberts |
| 26 | Stillborn | |
| Aug. 6 | Helen Deane Shaw | Elmer H. and Ada F. Deane |
| 9 | Everett August Commeau | Ozias and Dora May Blakeley |
| 10 | Alphonse Wood | Alcide D. and Mary M. Daisel |
| 11 | Evelyn Dora Bassinette | Edmore J. and Mary N. Deane |
| 25 | Annie May Drinkwater | William R. and Katie Morrison |
| 27 | Jennie Raymond Tucker | William S. and Ethel J. Hunt |
| 27 | Doris Grace Sears | Albert and Annie Roeder |
| Sept. 3 | Marjorie Ellen Taylor | Albert H. and Sarah E. Parker |

BIRTHS—*Concluded.*

| Date. | Name. | Name of Parents. |
|---------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Sept. 3 | ——— Phillips | Thomas D. and Sarah E. Benson |
| 3 | Albert Llewellyn Lloyd | Owen A. and Anna H. Bump |
| 6 | Evelyn Milton McKensie | Walter A. and Hattie L. Mansise |
| 6 | Sarkis Missak Harpootian | Missak and Zaroohie Sarkisian |
| 7 | Geraldine Elva Lamoureux | Joseph E. and Elva E. Potter |
| 19 | Richard Gray Hinkley | Miron L. and Lillia Gray |
| 21 | Marian Beatrice Perkins | Robert I. and Annie E. Plunkett |
| 22 | Carolyn Louise Elliott | Ara W. and Stella F. Chadwick |
| 25 | Stanislaus Plaskoviska | Stanislaus and Ludovica Schippar |
| 25 | Dorothy May Keough | Charles A. and Bertha L. Rudolph |
| 26 | ——— Lucanis | Peter and |
| 29 | Clarence Arthur Churbuck | Forest S. and Annie R. Marshall |
| Oct. 1 | Vera Florence Washburn | D. Thomas and Florence M. Dingwill |
| 6 | Catherin Neilsen | Neils and Marie Thompsen |
| 7 | Rosalie Gomez | Joseph and Maria Carriera |
| 12 | Marie Dutra | Manuel and Rosa Gloria |
| 16 | Arnold Hayden Ware | Llewellyn H. and Cora Reedwell |
| 16 | Charles Joseph Finn | Joseph A. and Louise Cuddy |
| 18 | Lillian Svennegarde Neilsen | Christian and Emma E. Neilsen |
| 25 | Claudine Louise Harlow | Benjamin F. and Florence S. Pelton |
| Nov. 5 | Stillborn | |
| 18 | Floretta Frances Churbuck | Louis D. and Eunice A. Allen |
| 20 | Charlotte Louise Kelley | John W. and Etta C. Brackett |
| 20 | Alton Linwood Baker | Alton J. and Lizzie S. Gammons |
| 27 | Hazel Augusta Marble | Evans S. and Mercy E. Keyes |
| Dec. 5 | Henry Richmond Caswell | William R. and Mary N. Libby |
| 7 | Mollie Boehme Crammer | Mattie H. and Christina R. Boehme |
| 12 | Chester Bennett Morse | Richard C. and Vera Bennett |
| 13 | Thomas Carroll | Louis and Josephine C. Forsberg |
| 14 | Mabel Evelyn Morrissey | James W. and M. E. Burns |
| 15 | Esther Franklin | Eli and Mollie Friedman |
| 16 | George Edward Kennedy | James and Lottie F. Kane |
| 20 | Katherine Elizabeth Reynolds | John A. and Margaret A. Atkinson |
| 21 | Hugh William McLeod | Hugh and Margaret Gilspie |
| 21 | Clarence Francis Chandler | Clarence C. and Annie E. Warren |
| 24 | Marian Coleman Swift | Harry W. and Ida L. Magoon |
| 25 | Clarence Earl Benson | Fred H. and Edna F. Bryant |
| 26 | Hazel Farwell Snow | Harvey F. and Eliza B. Beals |
| 26 | Joseph Wilfred Bontine | Joseph H. and Hannah Gregoire |

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN MIDDLEBORO DURING THE
YEAR 1907.

| Date. | Name of Groom and Bride. | Residence. |
|---------|---|---------------------------------|
| Jan. 3 | Charles Eugene Hupper Emma Vinal Davis | St. George, Maine Middleboro |
| 9 | Charles Albert Adams Agnes Lizzie Belle Tenney | Attleboro Middleboro |
| 14 | Francis Parker Fletcher Lillian Frances McKenzie | " " |
| 17 | George M. Hart Virginia Louise Vaughan (Gorham), | Brockton Middleboro |
| 29 | Chester Linus Shaw Lena May Baldwin | " " |
| Feb. 9 | Manuel Pavia Mary Mabel Michael | " " |
| 23 | Hubert Allen Angus Ellen Frances Smith | Halifax " |
| 27 | William A. O'Brien Bertha R. Ware | Lynn Middleboro |
| Mar. 29 | Elmer Foster Gay Bertha Fuller Vickery | " " |
| 30 | John Robertson Reid Edith Forest Orcutt | " " |
| 31 | Alexander Parker Laura Ann Cole Bradford | " " |
| Apr. 4 | Ernest Everett Gray Clara Gilbert Thomas | " " |
| 7 | Horace Alvan Vaughan Helen Eliza Lucas | " Carver |
| 13 | Elmer Henry Shaw Ada Frances Deane | Middleboro " |
| 17 | Frederick Kneeland Bradford Fannie Lee Stevens | " " |
| 18 | Arthur Carleton Thomas Veretta Florence Shaw | Revere Middleboro |
| 27 | George Carleton Bumpus Minnie Frances Russell | " " |
| May 8 | Warren Frederic Ware Annie Agnes Kelley | " " |
| 16 | Willam Albert Wilson Mary Elizabeth J. Graham | " New Bedford |
| 18 | George Fox Tucker Effie Dana Williams | Middleboro " |
| 18 | Marker Garabed Bagdarian Lucy Shehrikian | " Everett |
| 30 | William Russell Peirce Chandler Almeda Pratt | Plymouth Middleboro |
| 31 | George Everett Wallace Mary E. Brown (Forrester) | Waldoboro, Me. Middleboro |

MARRIAGES—*Continued.*

| Date. | Name of Groom and Bride. | Residence. |
|--------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| June 5 | Herman Trafton Gammons | Saugus |
| | Susan Rachel Nourse | Middleboro |
| 16 | Franklin Peirce Titcomb | West Newbury |
| | Lucy Edith Spooner (Morse) | Middleboro |
| 18 | George Franklin Bourne | " |
| | Eldoretta Cushing | " |
| 18 | Ovila Vanasse | " |
| | Leontine Gadoury | Fall River |
| 18 | Peter Joseph Murphy | Middleboro |
| | Nora Agnes Donegan | New Bedford |
| 18 | Joseph Phineas Hayden | Middleboro |
| | Lucy Melvina Atwood | " |
| 19 | Francis Robert Bradbury | Brockton |
| | Clara Delle Eaton | Middleboro |
| 19 | William Jeremiah Coughlin | " |
| | Katherine Agnes Carroll | Taunton |
| 19 | Albert Sumner Nichols | Ipswich |
| | Alice Jenks Simmons | Middleboro |
| 26 | William David Goble | " |
| | Lillian Frances Mead | Hingham |
| 27 | George Herbert Finney | Abington |
| | Edith Williams | Middleboro |
| 27 | Francis Edmund Egger | " |
| | Berva Lenore Walsh | Brockton |
| 29 | Warren Bazil Gallond | Middleboro |
| | Grace Chester Reed | Lakeville |
| 26 | William Crawford Allison | Bridgewater |
| | Mattie Sampson Murdock | Middleboro |
| July 3 | Fred Harlow Shurtleff | " |
| | Ethel Lillian Adams | " |
| 4 | Cyrus Aldrich Monroe | Providence, R. I. |
| | Edith May Curtis | Oaklawn, R. I. |
| 5 | Neil Neilsen | Middleboro |
| | Marie Thomsen | " |
| 13 | Charles Augustus Keough | " |
| | Bertha Lillia Rudolph | " |
| 24 | William Gibbs Wilcox | " |
| | Mary Louise Braley | " |
| Aug. 7 | Louis Frederick Doll | Plainville |
| | Lillian Faye Wood | Middleboro |
| 8 | John Kerrigan | " |
| | Bridget Welch (Cronan) | " |
| 9 | Ambrus Lovis Jones | " |
| | Hattie May Chace | " |
| 11 | Charles E. Marshall | New Bedford |
| | Nancy H. Tripp | " |
| 21 | James Rossiter | Middleboro |
| | Amanda Say (Miller) | " |

MARRIAGES—*Continued.*

| Date. | Name of Groom and Bride. | Residence. |
|---------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Aug. 21 | Frederick Joseph Dame | Worcester |
| | Nellie O'Connell | Middleboro |
| 24 | Jose da Renda | " |
| | Senhorinha de Medeiros | " |
| 26 | Charles Frederic White | " |
| | Effie Olive Bowers | " |
| 31 | Archer Linden Grant | " |
| | Lena Frances Wood | " |
| Sept. 1 | Abel Norman Renault | " |
| | Victoria Virginia Martell | Newton |
| 2 | Floyd Elmer Bragg | Bridgewater |
| | Mary Jane McDonald (Ducey) | Middleboro |
| 19 | Donatto Falconieri | " |
| | Bridget Ann Costello (Byrne) | " |
| 23 | Josiah Harrison Hammond | " |
| | Estella May Sweezey | " |
| 28 | Harold Roberts Clark | " |
| | Mary Louise Smith | " |
| 28 | Oscar Earl Westgate | " |
| | Ella Wotton (Small) | " |
| Oct. 3 | Ernest Sumner Pratt | " |
| | Rose Ellen Standish | " |
| 16 | Joseph Guerin | " |
| | Loretta Jane Kavanagh | Taunton |
| 17 | Charles Hamilton Clements | Middleboro |
| | Mary Miskell | " |
| 28 | Ralph Lovell Hathaway | " |
| | Eva Commeau | " |
| 30 | Ronald Morrison | Sydney, C. B. |
| | Mabel McLean | Sydney, C. B. |
| 30 | Howard James Bowley | Lynn |
| | Ada Gertrude Mitchell | Middleboro |
| Nov. 9 | William Clark Russell | " |
| | Mabel Estelle Jenks | New Bedford |
| 13 | George Bernard Dyer | Middleboro |
| | Angie Eliza Parmenter | " |
| 19 | Wilfred Joseph Cromwell | " |
| | Mary Sophia Peirce | " |
| 20 | Daniel Currier Wood | " |
| | Grace Albertine Wood (Pittsley) | " |
| 21 | Luigi Falconieri | " |
| | Amalia Del Vecchio | " |
| 23 | Charles Francis Purtell | " |
| | Edith Mabel Gove | " |
| 27 | William Joseph Sheehan | " |
| | Katherine Louise Baker | " |
| 27 | Frank Charles Otto | " |
| | Annie Matilda Rudolph | " |

MARRIAGES—*Concluded.*

| Date. | Name of Groom and Bride. | Residence. |
|---------|--------------------------|-------------|
| Nov. 28 | Charles Alex King | Middleboro |
| | Bertha LaBlanc | Somerville |
| Dec. 2 | Arthur Perley Follansbee | Middleboro |
| | Edith Dowling (Frame) | " |
| 24 | Harold Greene Estabrook | " |
| | Lizzie Snow Leggee | " |
| 25 | Giovanni Bena | " |
| | Eliza Pepi | " |
| 25 | Charles Lambert Rathbone | " |
| | Florence Gertrude Cole | " |
| 29 | Orrin Whitney Eaton | " |
| | Josephine Shay | Bridgewater |

DEATHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF MIDDLEBORO
DURING THE YEAR 1907.

| Date. | Name. | Age. | | | Cause of Death. |
|--------|------------------------------|------|----|----|--------------------------------|
| | | Y | M | D | |
| Jan. 2 | Rhoda S. Ellis (Waterman) | 37 | 6 | 15 | Nephritis with congestion |
| 3 | Irene F. Washburn | 2 | 4 | 12 | Double pneumonia |
| 5 | Nathan B. Maxim | 70 | 7 | 21 | Hepatitis |
| 7 | Mary A. W. Bonney (Thayer) | 81 | 9 | 27 | Chronic heart disease |
| 7 | Johanna Butler (Ryan) | 68 | — | — | Cerebral apoplexy |
| 8 | John H. Soule | 84 | 11 | — | Heart failure |
| 17 | Edna F. Tripp (Case) | 54 | 6 | 26 | Cerebral thrombus |
| 23 | Olive Leonard | 90 | 3 | — | Cerebral hemorrhage |
| 25 | Mildred E. Tinkham | 4 | 11 | 14 | Whooping cough |
| 27 | Lizzie R. Fournier (Hammond) | 27 | 10 | 1 | Cerebral hemorrhage |
| 27 | Frederic C. Sisson | 11 | — | 6 | Peritonitis |
| 28 | Gladys M. Bradford | — | 7 | 21 | Pneumonia |
| 31 | Sarah Galligan | 44 | — | — | Chronic interstitial nephritis |
| Feb. 4 | Henry E. Bryant | 80 | 4 | 9 | Arterio sclerosis |
| 4 | Charlotte M. A. C. Spaulding | 74 | — | — | Croupous pneumonia |
| 7 | Mary W. Morse (Shurtleff) | 87 | — | — | Cerebral hemorrhage |
| 9 | Katherine D. W. Robinson | 50 | 2 | 27 | Lobar pneumonia |
| 11 | Thomas B. Besse | 83 | 8 | 7 | Cerebral apoplexy |
| 12 | Ann Caroline Robbins | 78 | 3 | 5 | Heart disease |
| 12 | Margaret Sweeney (Cronan) | 66 | — | — | Old age |
| 13 | William Weeks | 84 | — | — | Senility |
| 16 | Nancy E. Leonard | 96 | 10 | 17 | Influenza |
| 16 | Emily Frances Bump (Warren) | 66 | 6 | 24 | Pneumonia |
| 19 | Sarah S. Fuller | 81 | 10 | — | Heart disease |
| 21 | Anna M. Blackwell (Churbuck) | 46 | 3 | 22 | Endocarditis |
| 26 | Betsey Robinson | 86 | 4 | 20 | Arterio sclerosis |
| 28 | Nina B. Sawyer (Littlefield) | 21 | — | — | Pneumonia |
| Mar. 2 | Violet E. A. Flinkfelt | 1 | 10 | 2 | Bronchitis |
| 5 | Charles H. Tobey | 66 | 8 | 24 | Myocarditis with dilation |
| 5 | Mehitable R. Thomas (Bailey) | 74 | 5 | 25 | Valvular heart disease |
| 11 | John H. Watson | 62 | 2 | 23 | Cancer |
| 14 | Warren F. Barrows | — | — | 14 | Convulsions |
| 14 | Lucinda Alden Barrows | 71 | 10 | 21 | LaGrippe |
| 15 | Sanford Weston | 71 | 3 | 23 | Apoplexy |
| 16 | Randall Hathaway | 70 | 9 | — | Disease of heart |
| 17 | Abia Jones (Peirce) | 87 | 7 | 10 | Senility |
| 20 | Thomas Conway | 65 | — | — | Pneumonia |
| 20 | Mary Keen Messer (Hiscox) | 63 | 4 | 17 | Chronic bronchitis |
| 22 | Frances E. McLaughlin | 80 | 5 | 2 | Intestinal obstruction |
| 22 | Earl F. Jefferson | 77 | — | — | Senile exhaustion |
| 23 | Foster Tinkham | 90 | — | 8 | Broncho-pneumonia |
| 27 | Alden W. Kelley | 52 | 6 | 17 | Brights disease |
| 28 | Bertha F. Gill (Sears) | 30 | 5 | 20 | Tuberculosis |
| 28 | Katherine O'Neil | — | 3 | 26 | Broncho-pneumonia |
| 29 | Georgia S. Deane (Sinclair) | 35 | 10 | 28 | Pneumonia |
| Apr. 3 | Sarah Falconieri (Lewis) | 65 | — | — | Disease of heart |
| 5 | Frederick Wilmot | 47 | 7 | 1 | Influenza |

DEATHS—Continued.

| Date. | Name. | Age. | | | Cause of Death. |
|---------|------------------------------------|------|----|----|----------------------------|
| | | Y | M | D | |
| Apr. 6 | Walter F. Brayman | 31 | 8 | 28 | Acute metastatic lesion |
| 12 | Lois S. Sherman | 77 | — | 11 | Unknown |
| 12 | ———Champlin | — | — | 1 | Heart failure |
| 13 | Alfred O. Standish | 81 | 7 | 13 | Valvular disease |
| 15 | Grace Grinque | 1 | 11 | 2 | Pneumonia |
| 17 | Morris Shaw | 6 | — | 16 | Meningitis |
| 17 | Joseph Silva Gola | — | — | 20 | Inanition |
| 18 | Lillie Johnson | 2 | 8 | 21 | Whooping-cough |
| 20 | Blanch Lena Chatier | — | 10 | 2 | Marasmus |
| 24 | Elizabeth Dean Williams (Williams) | 79 | 2 | — | Heart disease |
| 25 | Angus Campbell | 52 | 4 | 1 | Diabetes |
| May 10 | Evelyn Murdock (Bourne) | 82 | 4 | 21 | Carcinoma of Intestine |
| 13 | Alice Marie Philomena April | — | 3 | 4 | Pneumonia |
| 13 | Marion Evelyn Irwin (Mowry) | 31 | 7 | 23 | Brights disease |
| 14 | Edward S. Carnes | 77 | 10 | 23 | Nephritis |
| 14 | Mercy Abbie Carl (Shaw) | 66 | 6 | 6 | Valvular heart disease |
| 15 | Sophia A. Fagerberg (Anderson) | 57 | 11 | 18 | Cerebral embolism |
| 19 | Marcia C. Williams (Wardsworth) | 86 | 4 | 21 | Arterial sclerosis |
| June 3 | Roland Smith | 69 | 5 | 19 | Pneumonia |
| 14 | Lucy Silva | 4 | 10 | 23 | Acute general tuberculosis |
| 5 | Marshall Fessenden | 74 | 1 | 6 | Nephrolithiasis |
| 16 | James F. Wentworth | 70 | — | 6 | Intestinal nephritis |
| 16 | Edna May Murray | — | 1 | 6 | Unknown |
| 30 | Josie L. C. Lytle | 31 | 1 | 25 | Uraemic coma |
| July 2 | Bradford Wilde | 65 | 2 | 7 | Exhaustion |
| 12 | Frederick Eaton Moore | 46 | 11 | 27 | Locomotor ataxia |
| 15 | Frederick Webster Holbrook | 76 | 11 | — | Valvular heart disease |
| 17 | Clarinda Jackson (Jackson) | 74 | 6 | 19 | Liver and kidney trouble |
| Aug. 3 | Mabel M. Duarte | 1 | 2 | — | Cholera infantum |
| 3 | Edwin B. Dorrance | 90 | 7 | 17 | Old age |
| 3 | Malintha B. Gammons (Mosher) | 64 | 7 | — | Chronic brain lesion |
| 8 | Cornelius Cronan | 71 | 7 | 14 | Intestinal obstruction |
| 10 | George Warren Stearns | 50 | 7 | 20 | Abdominal tuberculosis |
| 13 | Eveline Holmes Wilbur (Wilder) | 89 | 6 | 15 | Senile exhaustion |
| 17 | Charles Carroll Tinkham | 75 | 2 | 26 | Acute angina pectoris |
| 18 | William Joseph Monahan | — | 8 | 23 | Phobia infantum |
| 18 | Edmund Joseph Casey | 2 | 9 | 4 | Gastro enteritis |
| 19 | Edward James Maddigan | 9 | 11 | 2 | Colitis |
| 22 | David Clark | 73 | 2 | 13 | Dysentery |
| 26 | John William Scanlon | 50 | — | — | Disease of heart |
| 31 | Mary Ann Louisa LaRue | — | 7 | 14 | Colitis |
| Sept. 1 | David Thrasher McAllister | 60 | 1 | 23 | Chronic rheumatism |
| 3 | Aram H. Doomanian | 8 | — | — | Ptomaine poisoning |
| 2 | Philander Warren Bump | 89 | 10 | 4 | Angina pectoris |
| 3 | Morrill DeMoranville | — | 3 | — | Eutus colitis |
| 3 | Mary Ann Andrews (Shippel) | 86 | 8 | — | Senility |

DEATHS—*Concluded.*

| Date. | Name. | Age. | | | Cause of Death. |
|---------|---------------------------------|------|----|----|---------------------------|
| | | Y | M | D | |
| Sept. 5 | Mary H. Frost (Whittemore) | 87 | 11 | 7 | Enteritis |
| 7 | Sarah Eaton Clark (Hathaway) | 88 | — | 10 | Senility |
| 8 | Daniel Everett Wesley | — | 6 | 2 | Cholera infantum |
| 19 | Oscar E. Johnson | — | — | — | Valvular disease of heart |
| 22 | Peter Antonio La Pre | — | 3 | — | Inanition |
| 24 | Ida M. Merrihew (Barrows) | 46 | — | — | Acute entero colitis |
| 27 | Franklin K. Sears | 73 | 6 | 17 | Dysentery |
| 28 | Evirrit E. Logan | — | 3 | 12 | Inanition |
| 28 | Angus Morrison | 58 | — | — | Accident |
| 30 | Sarah Harris Gustine (Worster) | 85 | 6 | 26 | Senility |
| 30 | James Smith | 64 | 4 | 24 | Heart disease |
| Oct. 1 | Mary Welch | 12 | 11 | 18 | Phthisis pulmonalis |
| 4 | James Herbert Duquet | 9 | — | — | Endocarditis |
| 11 | Charles Lawrence | 72 | — | — | Senile dementia |
| 12 | Catherine Neilson | — | — | 6 | Premature birth |
| 18 | Edwin Southworth | 57 | 6 | 10 | Cerebral hemorrhage |
| 18 | Morris Welch | 63 | — | — | Trombosis |
| 18 | Clara Giberti | 5 | 3 | 2 | Tetanus |
| 30 | Clarence Edgar Libby | 57 | 4 | 25 | Acute toxic gastritis |
| Nov. 2 | Harriet Osgood Pierce (Putnam) | 84 | 1 | 21 | Senility |
| 2 | Lottie S. Noyes (Vail) | 62 | 10 | 24 | Fibroid tumor |
| 4 | Susan Ritchie Coburn (Maxfield) | 73 | 9 | 24 | Fibroid tumor |
| 7 | — Brennan | — | — | 2h | Inanition |
| 8 | Charlotte Preston (Hawort) | 84 | 6 | 27 | Intestinal obstruction |
| 16 | Alice Haley Whitmarsh (Clark) | 64 | 11 | 2 | Cerebral hemorrhage |
| 21 | Tabitha H. Darling (Wood) | 85 | — | 21 | Apoplexy |
| 22 | Isaac M. Foye | 66 | 8 | — | Cirrhosis of liver |
| 24 | Joseph Jenks | 62 | 3 | 12 | Nephritis |
| 28 | George Edward Wood | 52 | 1 | 24 | Pneumonia |
| 28 | Carrie Colleen Rolland (Horton) | 48 | 1 | 1 | Cancer |
| 30 | Marcia A. Marston | 73 | 11 | — | Pneumonia |
| Dec. 2 | Zilpha A. Tolman | 77 | 8 | — | Organic heart disease |
| 3 | Dennis E. Sheehan | 24 | 11 | 26 | Appendicitis |
| 7 | Hannah F. Shaw (Nye) | 74 | — | — | Cerebral hemorrhage |
| 9 | Mary Smith | 65 | — | — | Cancer |
| 10 | Charles C. Stansill | 54 | — | — | Dilatation of heart |
| 10 | David Breck | — | — | 2 | Cerebral hemorrhage |
| 10 | James Adams | 91 | 1 | 17 | Senility |
| 13 | Sarah E. Simmons (Hammond) | 66 | 1 | 4 | Heart disease |
| 15 | William Leslie Coburn | 66 | — | — | Pleuro-pneumonia |
| 20 | Benjamin Randall Glidden | 83 | — | 9 | Influenza |
| 21 | Chester Morse | — | — | 9 | Gastritis |
| 21 | Jane T. Carpenter (Tinkham) | 85 | 11 | 5 | Disease of heart |
| 21 | Augustus N. J. Buchell | 73 | 4 | 27 | Mitral insufficiency |
| 28 | Lillian B. Elliott | 45 | 6 | 21 | Cancer |

SUMMARY.

From the Records of Marriages, Births and Deaths, recorded during the year 1906.

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Number of marriages recorded | 77 |
| Number of marriage licenses granted | 72 |
| Oldest groom | 73 |
| Oldest bride | 48 |
| Youngest groom | 2 at 18 |
| Youngest bride | 2 at 17 |
| First marriage of | 131 |
| Second marriage of | 18 |
| Third marriage of | 5 |

Births.

| | |
|-----------------|-----|
| Number recorded | 130 |
|-----------------|-----|

Deaths.

| | |
|--------------------------|-----|
| Number recorded | 139 |
| Number occurring in town | 112 |
| Males | 66 |
| Females | 73 |
| Under one year | 17 |
| Between 1 and 10 years | 18 |
| " 10 " 20 " | 2 |
| " 20 " 30 " | 3 |
| " 30 " 40 " | 5 |
| " 40 " 50 " | 7 |
| " 50 " 60 " | 12 |
| " 60 " 70 " | 22 |
| " 70 " 80 " | 25 |
| " 80 " 90 " | 23 |
| " 90 " 100 " | 5 |

Dogs.

| | |
|-------------------------|-----|
| Number licensed in 1907 | 698 |
| Males | 609 |
| Females | 89 |

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

For the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

| | | |
|---------------------------|------------------|-------------|
| | 1902 Tax. | |
| Due by last report | | \$5 16 |
| Collected | | 5 16 |
| | 1903 Tax. | |
| Due by last report | | \$421 90 |
| Collected | | 421 90 |
| | 1904 Tax. | |
| Due by last report | | \$1,714 72 |
| Collected | \$1,136 54 | |
| Remitted | 2 00 | |
| Uncollected | 576 18 | |
| | ————— | \$1,714 72 |
| | 1905 Tax. | |
| Amount committed | | \$81,132 03 |
| Collected in 1905 | \$65,891 40 | |
| Collected in 1906 | 9,283 03 | |
| Collected in 1907 | 2,593 92 | |
| Remitted | 1,421 86 | |
| Uncollected | 1,941 22 | |
| | ————— | \$81,132 03 |
| | 1906 Tax. | |
| Amount committed | | \$93,456 45 |
| Collected in 1906 | \$76,667 02 | |
| Collected in 1907 | 7,339 59 | |
| Remitted in 1906 | 2,459 42 | |
| Remitted in 1907 | 939 61 | |
| Uncollected | 6,050 81 | |
| | ————— | \$93,456 45 |
| | 1907 Tax. | |
| Amount committed | \$93,886 45 | |
| Taxes added | 902 32 | |
| Street Railway Excise Tax | 1,577 73 | |
| | ————— | \$96,366 50 |
| Collected | \$78,807 10 | |
| Remitted | 1,441 92 | |
| Uncollected | 16,117 48 | |
| | ————— | \$96,366 50 |

Street Sprinkling Tax.

1903 Tax.

| | | |
|--------------------|--|---------|
| Due by last Report | | \$12 35 |
| Collected | | 12 35 |

1904 Tax.

| | | |
|--------------------|--------|---------|
| Due by last report | | \$31 71 |
| Collected | \$1 08 | |
| Uncollected | 30 63 | |
| | <hr/> | \$31 71 |

1905 Tax.

| | | |
|--------------------|---------|---------|
| Due by last report | | \$51 58 |
| Collected | \$23 76 | |
| Uncollected | 27 82 | |
| | <hr/> | \$51 58 |

1906 Tax.

| | | |
|--------------------|---------|----------|
| Due by last report | | \$143 75 |
| Collected | \$56 03 | |
| Uncollected | 87 72 | |
| | <hr/> | \$143 75 |

1907 Tax.

| | | |
|---------------|----------|----------|
| Tax committed | | \$755 28 |
| Collected | \$618 22 | |
| Uncollected | 137 06 | |
| | <hr/> | \$755 28 |

COLLECTOR'S CASH ACCOUNT.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Balance from last year | \$1,008 36 | |
| Interest collected | 692 00 | |
| Street Watering Tax collected | 711 44 | |
| Street Railway Excise Tax | 1,577 73 | |
| Town taxes | 88,727 99 | |
| | <hr/> | \$92,717 52 |
| Paid Treasurer | \$92,715 00 | |
| On hand Dec. 31, 1907 | 2 52 | |
| | <hr/> | \$92,717 52 |

The Collector would state that between January 1, 1908, and the date when this copy was made for the printer nearly \$6,000 have been collected.

AMOS H. EATON,
Collector of Taxes.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1908

Cash Account.

| | | |
|---|----------|------------|
| Cash on hand as per report of 1907 | | \$1,211 30 |
| Received from Peirce Trustees, new Almshouse | | 8,008 45 |
| Received from A. B. Chapin, Treasurer, corporation tax | | 4,413 15 |
| Received from A. B. Chapin, Treasurer, national bank tax | | 1,117 03 |
| Received from A. B. Chapin, Treasurer, military aid | | 483 00 |
| Received from A. B. Chapin, Treasurer, state aid | | 6,785 00 |
| Cemetery Funds | | 774 33 |
| Middleboro Savings Bank | \$305 85 | |
| H. M. Brett | 68 48 | |
| L. B. Vaughan and B. Thomas | 50 00 | |
| E. J. Kelley | 100 00 | |
| T. H. and H. A. Besse | 100 00 | |
| W. O. and S. T. LeBaron | 50 00 | |
| Lettie L. Lincoln | 100 00 | |
| <hr/> | | |
| Committee new schoolhouse | | 617 95 |
| M. O. Rouneville | \$60 00 | |
| Otis Briggs | 550 00 | |
| W. M. Haskins | 7 95 | |
| <hr/> | | |
| Amos H. Eaton, Collector, Taxes | | 92,715 00 |
| Fourth District Court | | 1,194 58 |
| Wm. L. Chipman, Clerk | \$280 00 | |
| Chas. E. Ryder, Clerk | 914 58 | |
| <hr/> | | |
| Peirce Trustees, Gypsy Moths | | 600 00 |
| Herrings | | 170 00 |
| Highways | | 8,325 58 |
| H. P. Cummings Const. Co. | \$49 67 | |
| E. F. Witham | 100 00 | |
| John C. Chace, Supt. | 1,380 26 | |

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| Peirce Trustees | \$1,224 26 | |
| Old Colony Street Railway | 8 80 | |
| Herring Account | 8 75 | |
| A. B. Chapin, Treasurer | 5,158 52 | |
| Committee new schoolhouse | 395 32 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Incidentals | | \$4,166 20 |
| E. C. Bumpus, damage suit against New Bedford | \$3,896 50 | |
| N. Y., N. H. and H. R. R. Co., expense fighting forest fires | 128 10 | |
| Telephone | 91 60 | |
| Town history | 50 00 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Interest | | 122 00 |
| “ Municipal Light Bonds, Overpaid | | 4 54 |
| Jos. Parker & Co., Bonds | | 36,130 87 |
| Interest | | |
| Albert Davis, County Treasurer, Dog Licenses | | 1,118 92 |
| Various Persons, Other Licenses | | 396 50 |
| Geo. A. Philbrook, Mgr. Municipal Light | | 14,464 00 |
| Support of Poor, | | 2,106 38 |
| Raynham | \$244 00 | |
| Plymouth | 380 08 | |
| Wareham | 58 00 | |
| Taunton | 151 25 | |
| New Bedford | 3 15 | |
| A. B. Chapin, Treasurer | 277 32 | |
| S. L. Nickerson | 770 08 | |
| Mary F. Smith | 200 00 | |
| Freetown | 22 50 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Schools | | 1,594 93 |
| C. H. Bates, Superintendent | \$ 87 43 | |
| Boston | 191 50 | |
| Lakeville | 792 00 | |
| A. B. Chapin, Treas. | 414 00 | |
| Plympton | 110 00 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| School Repairs | | 32 09 |
| W. H. Southworth | \$ 3 13 | |
| C. H. Bates, Superintendent | 28 96 | |
| Sewer Entrances | | 475 00 |
| Soldiers' Relief | | 158 75 |

| | |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Plymouth | \$60 00 |
| Bridgewater | 28 75 |
| A. B. Chapin, Treasurer | 70 00 |

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|---------------------|--------------|
| Temporary Loan | \$45,500 00 |
| Town Hall, For Rent | 1,789 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$234,474 55 |

Cash Paid.

| | |
|--|------------|
| Order of Committee on New Alms House | \$8,008 45 |
| A. B. Chapin, Treas., Nat. Bank Tax | 220 77 |
| Albert Davis, Treas., County Tax | 5,641 63 |
| A. B. Chapin, Treas., State Tax | 5,440 00 |
| Orders of Board of Health | 886 31 |
| “ “ Selectmen on Cem. Trust Funds | 126 17 |
| “ “ Com. on Imp. Elec. Light Plant | 18,204 09 |
| “ “ “ “ New School House | 16,881 77 |
| “ “ Fourth District Court | 885 02 |
| “ “ Selectmen Gypsy Moths | 878 14 |
| “ “ “ Herrings | 161 00 |
| “ “ “ Highways | 19,573 01 |
| “ “ “ Pine St. | 1,885 77 |
| “ “ “ Incidentals | 2,749 10 |
| Joseph E. Beals, Treas. Public Library | 2,245 19 |
| Middleboro Sav. Bank, Cemetery Funds | 468 48 |
| Orders of Selectmen Military Aid | 878 00 |
| “ “ Mun. Light Board Depreciation | 4,136 80 |
| “ “ “ “ “ Mun. Lt. | 13,230 69 |
| “ “ “ “ “ Mun. Lt. Loan | 3,500 00 |
| “ “ “ “ “ “ “ Interest | 3,359 08 |
| “ “ Selectmen Night Watch | 728 00 |
| “ “ Overseers of Poor | 9,444 16 |
| “ “ Selectmen Pilgrim Monument | 45 00 |
| “ “ “ Police | 427 51 |
| “ “ “ Salaries | 2,870 75 |
| “ “ School Committee Schools | 29,451 92 |
| “ “ “ “ School Repairs | 1,025 80 |
| “ “ “ “ “ Transportation | 1,910 12 |
| “ “ Selectmen Sewers | 529 13 |
| “ “ “ Sidewalks | 783 22 |
| “ “ “ Soldier's Relief | 3,466 01 |
| “ “ “ State Aid | 7,427 00 |

| | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Order of Selectmen | Suppression of Crime | \$900 00 |
| “ “ “ | Town Hall | 2,223 61 |
| “ “ “ | Tree Warden | 250 00 |
| “ “ “ | Water Supply | 750 00 |
| “ “ “ | Post 8 G. A. R. | 200 00 |
| Middleboro Sav. Bank | Gen. Imp. Loan | 1,000 00 |
| “ “ “ | “ and others Interest | 5,177 92 |
| School House | Loan | 1,900 00 |
| Sewer | Loan | 6,000 00 |
| Temporary | Loan | 44,000 00 |
| Town History | Loan | 2,500 00 |
| Champlin and Penasis, | rebate on licenses | 22 73 |
| Order of Mun. Lt. Board, | Construction | 101 09 |
| “ “ “ “ “ | Meters | 718 93 |
| “ “ “ “ “ | New Engine | 25 08 |
| “ “ “ “ “ | Surburban light- ing. | 352 31 |
| High School | Insurance | 648 00 |
| Balance on hand | | 286 79 |
| | | —————\$234,474 55 |

Cemetery Trust Funds.

The Treasurer has deposited in the Middleborough Savings Bank, “to be held in trust, the interest only to be expended,” the following sums as shown by the bank books in his possession.

The books show the amounts as they stand after the October dividend has been credited, but the amounts expended during the year 1907 have not been drawn.

Central Cemetery :

| Lot Owner. | Endowment. | Balance. |
|-----------------------|------------|----------|
| Sarah E. Bartlett, | \$100 00 | \$106 03 |
| T. N. and H. A. Besse | 100 00 | 101 00 |
| Andrew J. Bisbee | 100 00 | 108 33 |
| S. S. Bourne | 100 00 | 111 33 |
| Rufus J. Brett | 100 00 | 103 02 |
| Robert V. Cole | 82 14 | 85 44 |
| Richard Cox | 25 00 | 26 49 |
| Lydia B. Cushing | 50 00 | 55 10 |
| William L. Dean | 100 00 | 116 23 |
| James Dowsing | 51 61 | 54 56 |
| Mary E. Drake | 100 00 | 109 96 |
| Norton N. Fenno | 100 00 | 111 05 |
| S. B. Gibbs | 100 00 | 104 24 |

| | | |
|---------------------|----------|----------|
| P. B. Holmes | \$100 00 | \$125 41 |
| Jacob Johnson | 75 00 | 81 20 |
| Benjamin F. Jones | 100 00 | 105 62 |
| Sarah P. Jones | 100 00 | 106 52 |
| Clara S. Kelley | 100 00 | 105 60 |
| William A. King | 100 00 | 108 64 |
| Calvin D. Kingman | 100 00 | 105 41 |
| Eliza H. Kelley | 100 00 | 102 00 |
| Robert W. Lashures | 100 00 | 104 91 |
| James Allen Leonard | 150 00 | 156 06 |
| John N. Main | 100 00 | 106 51 |
| J. P. McCulley | 100 00 | 106 94 |
| Aldin Miller | 100 00 | 108 21 |
| Sophronia P. Osborn | 100 00 | 108 97 |
| Alvin Pease | 100 00 | 104 16 |
| Joseph L. Pease | 100 00 | 108 73 |
| David D. Perkins | 75 00 | 75 00 |
| Alfred Randall | 100 00 | 100 00 |
| Aaron Raymond | 100 00 | 106 71 |
| Everett Robinson | 200 00 | 316 31 |
| William Shivnick | 150 00 | 171 32 |
| Reuben T. Taylor | 100 00 | 107 42 |
| Tinkham Lot, No. 6 | 60 00 | 64 17 |
| B. F. Tripp | 100 00 | 104 10 |
| Ward Lot, No. 110 | 100 00 | 107 02 |
| Azel Washburn | 100 00 | 114 07 |
| William Washburn | 50 00 | 52 02 |
| Sarah D. White | 500 00 | 525 59 |
| Chauncey D. White | 100 00 | 106 73 |

Nemasket Hill Cemetery :

| | | |
|---------------------|--------|--------|
| Joshua M. Eddy | 100 00 | 105 95 |
| Austin Ford | 50 00 | 55 29 |
| Henry F. Pope | 100 00 | 113 64 |
| Sophronia L. Reed | 50 00 | 55 34 |
| Rhoda T. Savery | 100 00 | 112 38 |
| Charles Soule | 100 00 | 109 85 |
| Benjamin C. Tinkham | 50 00 | 54 29 |
| Edmund Thompson | 50 00 | 56 83 |
| Oliver H. Thompson | 100 00 | 112 69 |
| Warren Lot, No. 1 | 50 00 | 53 20 |
| Thomas Weston | 150 00 | 164 23 |
| Benjamin P. Wood | 100 00 | 105 32 |
| Cornelius B. Wood | 150 00 | 168 61 |

| | | |
|--------------------|---------|---------|
| Mrs. Ellen T. Wood | \$31 48 | \$33 59 |
| Priscilla Wood | 50 00 | 57 24 |
| Thomas Wood | 100 00 | 104 57 |
| Lydia B. Vaughan | 25 00 | 25 50 |

Rock Cemetery :

| | | |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|
| C. N. Atwood | 100 00 | 109 92 |
| Deborah Carver | 100 00 | 109 64 |
| Julia S. Cobb | 100 00 | 112 71 |
| Sylvester F. Cobb | 100 00 | 115 32 |
| Charles F. Cushman | 176 75 | 193 97 |
| Mary B. Keith | 75 00 | 82 19 |
| A. J. Smith | 50 00 | 54 64 |
| H. N. Thomas and family | 1,000 00 | 1,120 18 |
| W. O. Barrows and family | | |
| Jane A. Wood | 18 44 | 19 12 |
| Benj. Thomas | 25 00 | 25 50 |

North Middleboro Cemetery :

| | | |
|------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Sumner Keith | 100 00 | 108 60 |
| Jared Pratt | 150 00 | 198 58 |
| Everett Robinson, Alfred Eaton Lot | 100 00 | 8 16 |
| Roswell Warren and Benj. Barrows | 150 00 | 203 14 |

Cemetery at the Green :

| Lot Owner. | Endowment. | Balance. |
|----------------------------------|------------|----------|
| Ira Bryant | \$50 00 | \$51 50 |
| Lydia R. Thompson | 100 00 | 115 70 |
| J. B. & I. H. Thompson | 100 00 | 157 33 |
| Julia M. Wood & Caroline Robbins | 50 00 | 52 02 |

Thomastown Cemetery.

| | | |
|---------------------|--------|--------|
| Atwood Lot | 100 00 | 134 51 |
| Eleazer Thomas | 100 00 | 123 53 |
| Thomastown Cemetery | 198 00 | 203 56 |

South Middleborough Cemetery.

| | | |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|
| John & Henry Thomas | 50 00 | 53 80 |
| W. O. & S. T. LeBaron | 50 00 | 50 00 |

Sachem Street Cemetery.

| | | |
|--------------|-------|-------|
| Gammons Lot | 50 87 | 54 29 |
| Thomas Smith | 50 00 | 54 73 |

Richmond Cemetery, Purchade Street.

| | | |
|-------------------|----------|----------|
| Lysander Richmond | \$100 00 | \$105 83 |
|-------------------|----------|----------|

Summer Street Cemetery.

| | | |
|----------------------|--------|--------|
| Jonathan T. Washburn | 200 00 | 211 70 |
|----------------------|--------|--------|

Wappanucket Cemetery.

| | | |
|--|--------|--------|
| Benjamin Richmond, care of whole Cemetery. | 400 00 | 506 31 |
|--|--------|--------|

Fall Brook Cemetery, Tispaquin Street.

| | | |
|-----------------|--------|--------|
| Atwood & Thomas | 200 00 | 219 96 |
|-----------------|--------|--------|

AMOS H. EATON,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE ENOCH PRATT FUND.

| | | |
|---------|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1908 | Dr. | |
| Jan. 1. | Notes of the town of Middleboro. | \$10,000 00 |
| | Interest from municipal light loan | 48 00 |
| | Interest from town treasurer | 352 00 |
| | | ————\$10,400 00 |

| | | |
|--|--|-----------------|
| | Cr. | |
| | Notes of town of Middleboro | \$10,000 00 |
| | Paid Joseph E. Beals, Treasurer of Library | 400 00 |
| | | ————\$10,400 00 |

AMOS H. EATON,
Treasurer Enoch Pratt Fund.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE MUNICIPAL LIGHT LOAN SINKING FUND.

| | | |
|--|------------------------------|--|
| | Dr. | |
| | Received from town treasurer | \$2,000 00 |
| | Cr. | |
| | Paid, Estabrook & Co. | \$2,000 00 |
| | | AMOS H. EATON, Treasurer Municipal Light Loan Sinking Fund. |

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I have carefully examined the accounts of the various departments and committees of the town having the disbursement of money.

In some of them, as in past years, I do not find bills or vouchers on file for all payments. I am pleased to note that April 1, 1907 the Overseers of the Poor adopted a new system as recommended by me in previous years, making all payments by order on the Town Treasurer. I recommend at this time that all receipts for the benefit of our Public Library be paid into the Town Treasury and that all bills on library account be paid by order upon the Town Treasurer.

In the examination of the books of the Treasurer I note that the payment of a \$5000 temporary schoolhouse loan, to be paid out of bond issue, was paid out of town money and entered on debit side of temporary loan account. This was afterwards repaid to town but no credit entry was made on temporary loan account, with the result that our temporary loan outstanding today, according to ledger account, is \$12,500, while it actually is \$17,500, and is the largest outstanding temporary loan that the town has ever had at the close of its fiscal year. The uncollected taxes were \$24,686.29.

| | | | | | | | | |
|--------------|-----|-----------|------|-----|----------|-------------|-------|-----------|
| In 1900 | our | temporary | loan | was | \$3,300, | uncollected | taxes | \$19,448 |
| " 1904 | " | " | " | " | 6,500, | " | " | 23,330 |
| Jan. 1, 1908 | " | " | " | " | 17,500, | " | " | 24,686.29 |

It is well to look at these figures in their true bearing in the finances of the town and the outlook for the town if the present method continues.

I have audited the books and securities of the "Pierce Estate" and find them in good condition. The trustees have this year paid out \$23,600, for the benefit of the town.

I append the financial statement of the town, also a table of indebtedness.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

| | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| Cash on hand January 1, 1907 | \$1,211 30 | | |
| Receipts. | | Expenditures. | |
| From Taxes: | | County tax | \$5,641 63 |
| Personal, real and poll, 1907 | \$78,546 11 | | |
| Personal, real and poll, other years | 11,196 21 | | |
| Excise tax | 1,577 73 | | |
| Street watering | 702 95 | | |
| Total | <u>\$92,023 00</u> | Total | <u>\$5,641 63</u> |
| From State: | | State tax | 5,440 00 |
| Corporation tax | \$4,413 15 | National bank tax | 220 77 |
| National bank tax | 117 03 | | |
| Military aid | 483 00 | | |
| State aid | 6,785 00 | | |
| Soldiers' relief | 70 00 | | |
| Soldiers' relief, town | 88 75 | | |
| State highways | 5,158 52 | | |
| Total | <u>\$18,115 45</u> | Total | <u>\$5,660 77</u> |
| Licenses: | | Soldiers' Relief: | |
| Dog | \$1,118 92 | State aid | 7,427 00 |
| Other | 396 50 | Military aid | 878 00 |
| | | Soldiers' relief | 3,466 01 |
| Total | <u>\$1,515 42</u> | Total | <u>\$11,771 01</u> |
| | | Public Celebration: | |
| Public Departments: | | Memorial Day | 200 00 |
| Town Hall rent | \$1,789 00 | | |
| Miscellaneous | 91 60 | Public Departments: | |
| | | Selectmen | 842 71 |
| | | Clerk, treasurer and collector | 1,522 87 |
| | | Assessors | 1,005 55 |
| | | Hall | 2,223 61 |
| | | Registrars | 213 18 |
| | | Miscellaneous | 1,204 08 |
| Total | <u>\$1,880 60</u> | Total | <u>\$7,012 00</u> |

Receipts — Continued.

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Public Safety : | |
| Fourth District Court fines | \$1,194 58 |
| N. Y., N. H. & H., fighting fires | 128 10 |
| | |
| Total | <u>\$1,322 68</u> |
| Public health and sanitation : | |
| Sewer permits | \$475 00 |
| | |
| Total | <u>\$475 00</u> |
| Public charities : | |
| Refunds cities and towns | \$1,058 98 |
| Town farm | 770 08 |
| State farm | 277 32 |
| | |
| Total | <u>\$2,106 38</u> |
| Public highways : | |
| Labor and sale of material | \$1,942 80 |
| | |
| Total | <u>\$1,942 80</u> |

Expenditures — Continued.

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| Public Safety : | |
| Night watch | \$728 00 |
| Police lock-up, etc. | 553 23 |
| Suppression of crime | 900 00 |
| Fourth District Court | 885 02 |
| Fire wardens | 269 35 |
| | |
| Total | <u>\$3,355 60</u> |
| Public health and sanitation : | |
| Board of health | 836 31 |
| Sewers | 444 88 |
| Sealer of weights and measures | 35 12 |
| Inspector of plumbing | 73 75 |
| “ “ beef | 120 64 |
| “ “ cattle | 199 92 |
| Miscellaneous | 22 73 |
| | |
| Total | <u>\$1,733 35</u> |
| Public charities : | |
| Salaries | \$1,600 00 |
| Town farm | 3,720 47 |
| Hospitals and schools | 599 83 |
| Outside poor | 3,458 42 |
| New almshouse | 8,008 45 |
| | |
| Total | <u>\$17,452 61</u> |
| Public highways : | |
| Street watering | 1,302 95 |
| Side walks | 783 22 |
| Streets, bridges, etc. | 18,384 31 |
| Pine Street | 1,862 77 |
| | |
| Total | <u>\$22,333 25</u> |

| | | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| Public education : | | Public education : | |
| Tuition | 1,507 50 | Salaries and supplies | 29,451 92 |
| Miscellaneous | 119 52 | Repairs | 1,025 80 |
| Com. School St. school house | 617 95 | Transportation | 1,910 12 |
| | | Insurance | 648 00 |
| | | New school house | 16,881 77 |
| Total | <u>\$2,244 97</u> | Total | <u>\$49,917 61</u> |
| Public industries : | | Public library | 2,245 19 |
| Gas and electric income | \$14,464 00 | Public industries : | |
| | | Street lights | 13,230 69 |
| | | Depreciation | 4,136 80 |
| | | Construction | 101 09 |
| | | Meters | 718 93 |
| | | New engine | 25 08 |
| | | Improving light plant | 18,204 09 |
| | | Suburban lighting | 352 31 |
| | | Water supply | 750 00 |
| | | | 89 |
| Cemeteries : | | Cemeteries : | |
| Trust funds and income | 774 33 | Trust funds and income | 594 65 |
| Total | <u>\$22,238 33</u> | Total | <u>\$38,113 64</u> |
| Interest : | | Interest : | |
| Interest on deposits | 122 00 | Bonds | 3,359 08 |
| Interest on taxes | 692 00 | Loans | 5,177 92 |
| Other interest | 4 54 | | |
| Interest, Jose Parker & Co. | <u>1,003 73</u> | Total | <u>\$8,537 00</u> |
| Total | <u>\$1,822 27</u> | Unclassified : | |
| Unclassified : | | Gypsy Moth | \$878 14 |
| New Bedford damage suit | 3,896 50 | Herring | 161 00 |
| Town histories sold | 50 00 | Pilgrim monument | 45 00 |
| Herring Account | 170 00 | Tree warden | 250 00 |
| Total | <u>\$4,116 50</u> | Total | <u>\$1,334 14</u> |

Receipts — *Concluded.*

Trust Funds:
 Almshouse
 Gypsy moth
 State road

\$8,008 45
 600 00
 1,224 26

Total

\$9,832 71

For Public Indebtedness:

Loan in anticipation of taxes

45,500 00

Loans and Sale of Bonds:

Schoolhouse

16,990 47

Electric light

18,136 67

Total

\$80,627 14

Expenditures — *Concluded.*

For Public Indebtedness:

Temporary loan repaid

\$44,000 00

Town history loan

2,500 00

Sewer loan

6,000 00

Schoolhouse loan

1,900 00

General improvement loan

1,000 00

Electric light

3,500 00

Total

\$58,900 00

Balance on hand December 31, 1907

286 79

\$234,474 55

\$234,474 55

INDEBTEDNESS.**General Improvement Loan.**

| | |
|---|------------|
| Due Nov. 1, 1915, at 4% to the Enoch Pratt Fund | \$3,800 00 |
| Due on demand at 4% to Middleboro Savings Bank | 2,000 00 |

Temporary Loan.

| | |
|--|------------|
| Due on demand at 5% to Middleboro Savings Bank | \$5,000 00 |
| Due on demand at 4% to H. W. Carver | 2,000 00 |
| Due on demand at 4% to F. Austin G. Atwood | 1,500 00 |
| Due on demand at 4% to Shadrach F. W. Atwood | 500 00 |
| Due on demand at 5% to Middleboro Savings Bank | 2,000 00 |
| Due on demand at 5% to Peirce Estate | 5,000 00 |
| Due on demand at 6% to Peirce Estate | 1,500 00 |

Plymouth and Middleboro Railroad.

| | |
|--|------------|
| Due November 1, 1918, at 4% to Salem Five Cents Savings Bank | \$5,000 00 |
| Due November 1, 1919, at 4% to Salem Five Cents Savings Bank | 5,000 00 |
| Due November 1, 1920, at 4% to Salem Five Cents Savings Bank | 5,000 00 |
| Due November 1, 1921, at 4% to Salem Five Cents Savings Bank | 5,000 00 |

Sewer Loan.

| | |
|--|------------|
| Due Nov. 1, 1908, at 4% to Middleboro Savings Bank | \$5,000 00 |
| Due Nov. 1, 1909, at 4% to Middleboro Savings Bank | 5,000 00 |
| Due Nov. 1, 1910, at 4% to Middleboro Savings Bank | 5,000 00 |
| Due Nov. 1, 1911, at 4% to Middleboro Savings Bank | 5,000 00 |
| Due Nov. 1, 1912, at 4% to Middleboro Savings Bank | 5,000 00 |
| Due Nov. 1, 1913, at 4% to Middleboro Savings Bank | 5,000 00 |
| Due on demand at 4% to Middleboro Savings Bank | 2,000 00 |

Schoolhouse Loan.

| | |
|---|------------|
| Due Nov. 1, 1914, at 4% to the Enoch Pratt Fund | \$5,000 00 |
| Due Dec. 12, 1908, to Dec. 12, 1912, at 4% to Middleboro Savings Bank | 1,250 00 |
| Due Sept. 8, 1913, at 4% to Jose Parker & Co. | 250 00 |
| Due Nov. 1, 1908, to Nov. 1, 1926, at 4% to Jose Parker & Co. | 31,350 00 |

Electric Light Loan.

| | |
|---|------------|
| Due Nov. 1, 1915, at 4% to Enoch Pratt Fund | \$1,200 00 |
| Due Nov. 1, 1908 to Nov. 1, 1923, at 4% to bearer | 54,500 00 |
| Due Aug. 1, 1924 to Aug. 1, 1927, at 4% to Jose Parker & Co. | 20,000 00 |

PERCY W. KEITH,
Auditor.

February, 1908.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO BUILD A NEW BRICK SCHOOL BUILDING.

Middleboro, Mass., December 3, 1907.

Appropriations.

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| For new school building | \$30,000 00 |
| For furnishing the same | 2,000 00 |
| For premiums on sale of bonds sold, for appropriations | 33 00 |
| Received from Martin O. Rounesville, for old stone steps, etc. | 50 00 |
| Received from Otis Briggs for old school building | 550 00 |
| Received for old junk or material sold | 17 95 |
| | <hr/> \$32,650 95 |

Disbursements.

| | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Cooper & Bailey, architects | \$1,405 00 |
| H. P. Cummings Construction Co. | 25,025 00 |
| Fuller & Warren Co. | 2,500 00 |
| Yale & Towne Mfg. Co. | 300 00 |
| Tremaine Electric Co. | 210 00 |
| John A. Jackson, supervisor | 256 00 |
| American Seating Co. | 1,783 00 |
| Sundry small bills | 1,167 30 |
| Balance unexpended | 4 65 |
| | <hr/> \$32,650 95 |

DAVID G. PRATT,
WILLIAM A. ANDREWS,
WILLIAM M. HASKINS,
Committee.

REPORT OF MUNICIPAL LIGHTING PLANT.

Messrs. Henry. W. Sears, Chairman,
 Thomas S. Hodgson and Wilkes H. F. Pettee,
 Municipal Light Board, Town of Middleboro.

GENTLEMEN :—I have the honor of presenting the fourteenth annual report of the manager of the Municipal Light Plant for the year ending December 31, 1907.

As it is only by comparison that the increase or decrease, or in some cases hereafter given the true value of the progress made may be obtained, the manager will in a large measure use that method to demonstrate that the electric plant is attaining that point where it will be self-sustaining, and help to prove that under some conditions that municipal ownership is a success.

Upon comparing the accounts and books of the plant with those of the Town Treasurer they all agree excepting the Bridge Account, and that stands the same as last year and for the same reason.

The increase in electric customers over 1906, namely 55, shows that the people of Middleboro are availing themselves of the opportunity afforded for a cheap and convenient way of lighting their homes, as the greater per cent. of the increased customers were for domestic lighting.

The bills payable January 1, 1907, were \$1,015.61 more than January 1, 1906, because at that time only those on file January 1st were taken into consideration, but this year all bills for material or supplies received prior to January 1st were taken.

On the other hand to offset this the amount in the Town Treasury and office available this year was \$517.22 against \$25.95 last year and the bills receivable of \$5,761.08 against \$4,013.89 last year.

In the amount of bills receivable above mentioned is not included \$859.32 which was expended, as per vouchers on file, for labor, freight, and Sundries required in erecting or equipping the the new apparatus for the Committee on Electric Light Improvements which was paid out of the income account but in the commencement expected it would be refunded.

Some of the old type of transformers were replaced by more efficient ones purchased out of the Depreciation Fund, but owing to the number of new customers taken on, some of them not being where they could be connected to the new ones installed, was obliged to use some of those discarded.

One factor which enters into the showing made by the plant for the year 1907, and which should not be entirely forgotten, is the matter of discounts.

The new scale has affected the income since December 1906.

| | | |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Discounts allowed on Gas in 1906 | \$143 47 | |
| Discounts allowed on electric 1906 | 487 14 | |
| Total | ————— | \$630 61 |

| | | |
|------------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Discounts allowed on gas in 1907 | 182 16 | |
| Discounts allowed on electric 1907 | 1,280 27 | |
| Total | ————— | \$1,462 43 |

A difference of \$831.82 which the consumers have received the benefit of.

| | |
|---|------------|
| Profit on electric plant as shown by Manufacturing Account. | \$3,989 61 |
|---|------------|

| | |
|---|------------|
| Loss on gas plant as shown by the Manufacturing Account | \$1,239 48 |
|---|------------|

One other item that if credited on the income side of the Manufacturing Account, *but is not*, but should be to give the true showing of the electric plant, is the matter of street lighting.

In the operating expense of the electric plant is included the entire cost of operating and maintaining twelve all night arcs and one 25 candle power incandescent, and fourteen 12 o'clock arcs and one hundred and seventy-two 25 candle power incandescent which if paid for would be as follows :

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| 12 all night arcs at \$100 00 each | \$1,200 00 | |
| 1 all night incandescent at \$25 00 | 25 00 | |
| 14 midnight arcs at \$70 00 each | 980 00 | |
| 172 incandescent at \$16 00 each | 2,752 00 | |
| | ————— | \$4,957 00 |

Should this show on the credit side of the sheet, the balance to profit and loss for a profit would be sufficient to pay the present interest bond, and within one hundred dollars of the amount appropriated for the depreciation at a 3% basis.

The price used for the street light cost was taken from the State Commissioners report which are :

| Town. | Population State Census 1905. | Company furnish- ing the light. | Number of 25 C.P. lamps. | Price per year. | Num- ber of arcs. | Price per year. |
|----------------|--|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Whitman..... | 6,521 | Edison, Brockton... | 169 | \$12 50 | | |
| Bridgewater .. | 6,754 | Bridgewater..... | | | 34 | \$70 00 |
| Saugus | 6,275 | Lynn G & E..... | 100 | 16 00 | 73 | 67 00 |
| Andover..... | 6,632 | Lawrence | 172 | 16 00 | 29 | 70 00 |
| Rockland..... | 6,287 | Rockland & Abington.. | 284 | 16 00 | 29 | 70 00 |
| Abington | 5,081 | Rockland & Abington.. | 125 | 16 00 | 29 | 70 00 |

The only available way to define the results obtained by the gas engine plant is to compare the sales and fuel consumption of the last six months of 1906 which was operated by steam, by the sales and fuel consumption of the corresponding period of 1907 operated by gas engines.

The gas engines started for the first time May 19, 1907.

Comparative fuel expense for the last 6 months of 1907 & 1906.

| | July 1-Dec. 31 1907 | July 1-Dec. 31 1906 |
|----------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Gasoline | | \$570 47 |
| Coal | \$1,709 16 | 1,427 82 |
| | <u>\$1,709 16</u> | <u>\$1,998 29</u> |

Saving in fuel by gas engines, \$289 13.

Electric sales in 1907, \$7,818 75

Electric sales in 1906, 6,182 85

\$1,635 90 increase in 1907 over 1906,

July 1-Dec. 31.

So when the 26% increase in sales, the decrease in fuel consumption to the amount of \$289.13 for the same period, also bearing in mind that the water supply during July, August, September and the early part of October was the smallest in 12 years, and, taking into consideration that during the time of operating the gas engine plant, four new men had to educate themselves to operate the gas producers, which in so doing could not run them most efficiently, (only one had a skilled operator to instruct him) also the poor coal used at the beginning, notwithstanding these unfavorable conditions to contend with, the gas

engine plant has proved a success and will continue to show a good return for the money invested.

Taking the plant as a whole, the decrease of \$682.85 in operating expenses electric plant and the increase of \$2,914.62 in electric sales, and many of the unfavorable conditions eliminated, the electric plant in the ensuing year bids fair to make a showing even better than anticipated by those who have been favorable to the gas engines.

But not until the plant gets the credit due to it for the street light can a proper or true financial showing be made.

During the year there has been added 147 electric and 15 new gas meters. The station run 4,686 3-4 hours.

During the year three new circuits have added for the commercial and domestic lighting. One from the station to Clifford street, one from the station to Union street and one from the station to Oak street, which added to the two already installed gives a better chance to balance the load on the generators, besides reduces in a large measure the number of services that will be out in case of short circuits or other accidents to the lines.

Concerning the Gas Plant.

The only thing that can be said in its favor is that the candle power of the gas furnished is considerably above the minimum allowed by the state and so far has been able to make gas every day.

In consequence of the agitation for a cheaper gas for Middleboro, thought it would be for the best interest of the town to employ an expert gas engineer so as to get the advice of one competent to judge the requirements of the town, so that any recommendations that I might make to you, or you to the voters, would be made with the knowledge that comes from experience.

This report I beg to submit to you in full, also a few facts and figures found in looking into this matter, some of which are taken from the report of the State Board of Gas & Electric Commissioners.

In 1896 there were nine oil gas plants in the State as follows:—Amherst, Chicopee Falls, Gardner, Ipswich, Leominster, Lexington, Southbridge, Stoughton and Williamstown.

At the present time there are but three of the above mentioned plants still making an oil gas, which are Amherst, Lexington, and Stoughton, these three and Middleboro are the only oil gas plants at the present time in the State, whereas there are sixty coal and water gas and twelve acetylene gas plants.

In the returns made by the three other oil gas plants, which by the way, are not municipal plants but operated under private ownership, the price received per M sold in 1905-1906 was Amherst \$4.09, Lexington, \$3.85 and Stoughton \$4.77.

According to the profit and loss sheet as shown by these companies, Amherst lost \$209.59, Lexington lost \$564.93 and Stoughton's profit was \$356.85, which might be attributed to the fact of their receiving so much larger price per M than the other two and which was more than \$2.00 per M than Middleboro received.

To further illustrate the benefit Middleboro might derive by adopting a modern method of manufacturing gas, the six companies who formerly made oil gas, seeing the error of their ways, are now making a coal or coal and water gas and the profit and loss sheets of these companies made in the same returns to the State as the three present oil gas companies *all* show a *profit* as follows:

Chicopee, \$10,292.69; Gardner, \$2,694.99; Ipswich, \$2,886.49; Leominster \$7,704.65, Southbridge \$3,091.13, and Williamstown \$2,268.93.

These figures are presented to you and through you to the voters of the town, to partially show the expediency of abandoning the present method and substituting one more modern and up to date.

After a careful investigation, taking into consideration the existing conditions, the method as proposed in the appended report of the gas engineer employed, appeals to me as the one best adapted to our needs and the one from which Middleboro will derive the greatest benefit.

I do not think the expenditure of any great amount on the present plant is warranted.

A noted gas man interested in the operation of one or more large gas plants, after viewing the premises and the process of manufacture now in vogue, made the remark that should he put a man worth to him \$10,000 a year in to manage this plant he could not make it pay expenses.

I wish to here repeat what I have often said, that the town could make a plant pay if they would do as a private owner would.

A private owner seeing where a dollar expended would yield more than the dollar expended would expend that dollar.

The showing made at the electric plant for the last six months of 1907 bears me out in the above statement.

The policy of the town in relation to the gas plant has been to see how little it could expend, as shown by the fact that since

January 1, 1900, a period of eight years, there has been expended (other than ordinary repairs, which comes out of the income) for the purpose of improving the gas machinery the sum of \$36.03, an average of \$4.50 a year.

One point I wish to emphasize is that when more power units are required at the electric plant, by installing a gas machine such as recommended 375 H. P. of gas can be furnished them from the same gas machine and at the same time the illuminating gas is being made.

In an interview with one of the Water Commissioners, was informed that the Board is now ready to continue the line of 12-inch water main on Wareham Street from the river to the Four Corners to take the place of the eight-inch main now in use.

Upon completing this change they will offer to the Town this eight-inch main already laid which could be utilized for a gas main, at a price much lower than new pipe could be bought and laid.

This is only one of the many advantages to be obtained by installing the new gas plant at the Wareham Street property.

Following is the data and financial standing and operation of the plant.

CUSTOMERS.

| | Jan. 1 1907. | Jan. 1 1908. | Increase. | Decrease |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------|----------|
| Gas | 51 | 47 | | 4 |
| Electric | 178 | 233 | 55 | |
| Gas and electric | 82 | 58 | | 24 |
| | <hr/> 311 | <hr/> 338 | | |

Net gain 27

| | |
|-----------------|-------------------------|
| Total gas made | 1,716,000 cu. ft. |
| Sold at \$1 60 | 163,000 cu. ft. |
| “ “ 2 00 | 37,000 cu. ft. |
| “ “ 2 20 | 934,000 cu. ft. |
| “ “ 2 75 | 320,000 cu. ft. |
| Used at works | 25,500 cu. ft. |
| Unaccounted for | 236,500 cu. ft. |
| | <hr/> 1,716,000 cu. ft. |

Unaccounted for gas was 13.2% of the total gas made.

Average candle power as determined by the State inspector 25.1 candle power.

Sales.

| | 1907 | 1906. |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|
| Gas | \$3,267 36 | \$3,558 41 |
| Commercial incandescent | 8,089 94 | 6,273 03 |
| Domestic incandescent | 4,046 54 | 3,145 73 |
| Commercial Arc | 2,144 00 | 1,947 10 |
| Jobbing | 28 43 | 805 47 |

| | | |
|-------|-------------|-------------|
| Total | \$17,576 27 | \$15,729 74 |
|-------|-------------|-------------|

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| Total increase in sales in 1907 over 1906 | \$1,846 53 | |
| Increase in electric sales | “ “ “ | \$2,914 62 |
| Decrease in gas sales | “ “ “ | 291 05 |
| Decrease in Jobbing | “ “ “ | 777 04 |
| Accounts Receivable. | | |
| Gas | | \$972 97 |
| Commercial Incandescent | | 2,606 36 |
| Domestic Incandescent | | 1,615 79 |
| Commercial Arc | | 407 25 |
| Jobbing | | 158 71 |

| | |
|-----------|------------|
| Total due | \$5,761 08 |
|-----------|------------|

BILLS PAYABLE.

| | Dec. 31 1907. | Bills which have come in since Jan. 1, 1907. | Total. |
|--------------------------|------------------|---|------------|
| Bills Payable. | | | |
| J. K. & B. Sears | \$0 88 | | \$0 88 |
| H. L. Thatcher | 19 50 | \$0 35 | 19 85 |
| M. H. Cushing & Co. | 6 53 | | 6 53 |
| T. W. Pierce | 38 29 | 2 91 | 41 20 |
| F. C. Norris | 7 00 | 17 90 | 24 90 |
| Smith & Hathaway | | 2 54 | 2 54 |
| Bryant & Soule | 1,222 80 | 366 71 | 1,589 51 |
| Walworth Mfg. Co. | 1 26 | | 1 26 |
| Eagle Oil & Supply Co. | 29 95 | | 29 95 |
| Geo. E. Gilchrist Co. | 25 13 | | 25 13 |
| LeValley Vitæ Co. | 3 76 | | 3 76 |
| T. G. Ford | 15 25 | | 15 25 |
| C. W. Maxim | 52 06 | | 52 06 |
| C. P. Washburn | 58 52 | | 58 52 |
| Wylie Bros. | 11 40 | | 11 40 |
| Westinghouse Machine Co. | 52 19 | | 52 19 |
| Prebrey Stove Lining Co. | 8 83 | | 8 83 |
| Chandler, Farquhar Co. | 17 85 | | 17 85 |
| General Electric Co. | 10 50 | | 10 50 |
| Lloyd Perkins, 2d | 37 63 | | 37 63 |
| So. Mass. Tel. Co. | 6 91 | | 6 91 |
| Total, | \$1,626 24 | \$390 41 | \$2,016 65 |

The above includes all bills for supplies used or received prior to Jan. 1, 1908, payable from the income of plant.

STREET LIGHTS.

| Circuit | Total number of nights run. | Total number of hours run. | Average nights per month run. | Average hours per night run. |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| No. 1 (All night arcs) | 329 | 2,443 $\frac{3}{4}$ | 27 | 7 hrs. 45 min. |
| No. 2 (Midnight arcs) | 286 | 1,310 | 24 | 5 hrs. 0 min. |
| No. 3 (Street incand.) | 273 | 1,173 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 23 | 4 hrs. 30 min. |

Total number of carbons used for street lighting 694.

GAS MANUFACTURING ACCOUNT.

Operating Expenses.

| | | | |
|------|-------------------------------|------------|------------|
| I. | Salaries and labor: | | |
| | Salaries, general, | \$636 00 | |
| | “ clerical and coll. | 278 59 | |
| | Wages at station | 664 15 | |
| | | <hr/> | \$1,578 74 |
| II. | Materials and supplies: | | |
| | Fuel oil | \$1,796 55 | |
| | Coal | 224 11 | |
| | Water | 68 33 | |
| | | <hr/> | \$2,088 99 |
| III. | Maintenance: | | |
| | Real Estate | \$1 00 | |
| | Works | 233 03 | |
| | Mains and Services | 74 07 | |
| | Meters | 60 72 | |
| | | <hr/> | \$368 82 |
| IV. | Sundry Expenses: | | |
| | Stable Account | \$35 81 | |
| | General Office Expenses | 169 06 | |
| | Commissioners' Salaries | 75 00 | |
| | | <hr/> | \$279 87 |
| V. | Accounts charged to bad debts | | \$8 26 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | Total Expenses | | \$4,324 68 |
| | Total Debits | | \$4,324 68 |

GAS MANUFACTURING ACCOUNT.

Income.

| | | |
|--|------------|------------|
| I. From sales of Gas, (Jan. 1, 1907—Jan 1, 1908) | | |
| To private consumers | \$3,012 78 | |
| Less discounts allowed | 172 96 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,839 82 |
| II. From sales to municipal buildings | | |
| 1. Town House | \$219 63 | |
| Less discounts | 7 95 | |
| | <hr/> | \$211 68 |
| 2. High School | \$34 95 | |
| Less discounts | 1 25 | |
| | <hr/> | \$33 70 |
| Total income | | \$3,085 25 |
| Balance to profit and loss | | 1,239 48 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Total credits | | \$4,324 63 |

ELECTRIC MANUFACTURING ACCOUNT.

Operating Expenses.

| | | | |
|------|-------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| I. | Salaries and labor : | | |
| | Salaries general | \$785 00 | |
| | Clerical and coll. | 278 60 | |
| | Wages at station | 2,449 52 | |
| | | <hr/> | \$3,513 12 |
| II. | Materials and Supplies : | | |
| | Naphtha | \$155 37 | |
| | Coal | 2,753 30 | |
| | Carbons | 84 06 | |
| | Water | 16 00 | |
| | Oil and waste | 147 00 | |
| | | <hr/> | \$3,155 73 |
| III. | Maintenance : | | |
| | Repairs, lines and wires | \$651 03 | |
| | “ electric plant | 380 27 | |
| | “ steam plant | 128 95 | |
| | “ water plant | 73 33 | |
| | “ gas engine plant | 180 21 | |
| | “ real estate | 68 76 | |
| | “ meters | 12 74 | |
| | “ arc lamps | 42 99 | |
| | “ series street incand. | 8 85 | |
| | Wages care lights | 87 86 | |
| | | <hr/> | \$1,634 99 |
| IV. | Sundry Expenses : | | |
| | Stable account | \$322 38 | |
| | General office expenses | 169 06 | |
| | Commissioners' salaries | 75 00 | |
| | Insurance | 29 64 | |
| | | <hr/> | \$596 08 |
| V. | Accounts charged to bad debts | | 109 66 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | Total expenses | | \$9,009 58 |
| | Balance to profit and loss | | 3,989 61 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | Total debits | | \$12,999 19 |

ELECTRIC MANUFACTURING ACCOUNT.

Income.

| | | | |
|------|--|------------|-----------------|
| I. | From arc lights | \$2,144 00 | |
| | Less discounts | 274 92 | |
| | | <hr/> | \$1,869 08 |
| II. | From commercial incandescent to private consumers | \$7,551 12 | |
| | Less discounts | 738 39 | |
| | | <hr/> | 6,812 73 |
| III. | From domestic incandescent | \$4,046 54 | |
| | Less discounts | 164 56 | |
| | | <hr/> | 3,881 98 |
| IV. | Incandescent to Munic. buildings | | |
| | 1. Town house | \$501 62 | |
| | Less discounts | 101 86 | |
| | | <hr/> | 399 76 |
| | 2. Town stable | \$27 20 | |
| | Less discounts | | |
| | | <hr/> | 27 20 |
| | 3. High School | \$9 00 | |
| | Less discounts | 56 | |
| | | <hr/> | 8 44 |
| | Total income | | <hr/> 12,999 19 |

| | |
|---------------|-------------|
| Total credits | \$12,999 19 |
|---------------|-------------|

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS.

BONDS.

| | | | | | |
|---------|---------------|------------|---------|-------------|------------|
| 1907. | | | 1907. | | |
| Mar. 13 | Appropriation | \$2,000 00 | Dec. 31 | Order drawn | \$2,000 00 |

NOTES.

| | | | | | |
|---------|---------------|-------------------|---------|-------------|-------------------|
| 1907. | | | 1907. | | |
| Jan. 1 | Balance | \$750 00 | Dec. 31 | Order drawn | \$1,500 00 |
| Mar. 13 | Appropriation | 750 00 | | | |
| | | <u>\$1,500 00</u> | | | <u>\$1,500 00</u> |

INTEREST.

| | | | | | |
|---------|---------------|-------------------|---------|--------------|-------------------|
| 1907. | | | 1907. | | |
| Jan. 1 | Balance | \$20 08 | Dec. 31 | Orders drawn | \$3,354 54 |
| Mar. 13 | Appropriation | 3,061 79 | | Balance | 244 44 |
| Dec. 31 | Accumulated | 517 11 | | | |
| | | <u>\$3,598 98</u> | | | <u>\$3,598 98</u> |

COMMISSIONERS' SALARIES.

| | | | | | |
|---------|---------------|----------|---------|--------------|----------|
| 1907. | | | 1907. | | |
| Mar. 13 | Appropriation | \$150 00 | Dec. 31 | Orders drawn | \$150 00 |

DRAINAGE.

| | | | | | |
|--------|---------|----------|---------|---------|----------|
| 1907. | | | 1907. | | |
| Jan. 1 | Balance | \$300 00 | Dec. 31 | Balance | \$300 00 |

SUBURBAN LIGHTING.

| | | | | | |
|---------|---------------|-----------------|---------|--------------|-----------------|
| 1907. | | | 1907. | | |
| Jan. 1 | Balance | \$116 51 | Dec. 31 | Orders drawn | \$382 47 |
| Mar. 13 | Appropriation | 450 00 | | Balance | 184 04 |
| | | <u>\$566 51</u> | | | <u>\$566 51</u> |

GAS ENGINE.

| | | | | | |
|--------|---------|---------|---------|---|---------|
| 1907. | | | 1907. | | |
| Jan. 1 | Balance | \$25 08 | Mar. 13 | Transferred to Depreciation account | \$25 08 |

BRIDGE ACCOUNT.

| | | | | | |
|--------|---------|----------|---------|---------|----------|
| 1907. | | | 1907. | | |
| Jan. 1 | Balance | \$500 00 | Dec. 31 | Balance | \$500 00 |

METER ACCOUNT.

| | | | | |
|--------|---------|----------|---------|----------------|
| 1907. | | | 1907. | |
| | | | Mar. 13 | Transferred to |
| | | | | Depreciation |
| Jan. 1 | Balance | \$525 70 | | account |
| | | | | \$525 70 |

CONSTRUCTION.

| | | | |
|--------|---------|---------|---|
| 1907. | | 1907. | |
| | | Mar. 13 | Transferred to Depreciation account |
| Jan. 1 | Balance | | \$151 17 |

DEPRECIATION ACCOUNT.

| 1906. | Dr. | 1906. | Cr. |
|------------------------------------|------------|--|------------|
| Dec. 31. | | Dec. 31. | |
| Balance, construction ac- count | \$151 17 | Orders drawn, electric meters | \$1,705 99 |
| Balance, meter account | 525 70 | Orders drawn, gas meters | 372 22 |
| Balance, gas engine account | 25 08 | Orders drawn for con- struction of lines and wires | 1,377 56 |
| Mar. 13. | | Arc lamps | 233 20 |
| Appropriation Depreciation | 4,926 22 | Street incandescent | 7 00 |
| | | Transformers | 1,068 99 |
| | | Mains and services | 72 20 |
| | | Electric plant | 447 92 |
| | | Gas engine plant | 61 19 |
| | | Transferred to meter ac- count | 22 23 |
| | | Transferred to construc- tion account | 109 05 |
| | | Balance in Town Treas. | 150 62 |
| | | | |
| | <hr/> | | <hr/> |
| | \$5,628 17 | | \$5,628 17 |

MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

| 1907. | | 1907. | |
|-------------------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------|
| Jan. 1. | | Dec. 31. | |
| Balance in Town Treas. | \$3 80 | Orders drawn | \$14,037 94 |
| Cash in office | 22 15 | Balance in Town Treas. | 429 76 |
| Dec. 31 Income from gas | | Cash in office | 87 46 |
| and electric | 14,253 21 | | |
| Sale of old material | 276 00 | | |
| | <hr/> | | <hr/> |
| | \$14,555 16 | | \$14,555 16 |

Disbursements.

| | | |
|---------------------------|-------|----|
| Seth L. Vickery, | \$303 | 33 |
| Middleboro Fire District, | 84 | 33 |

| | |
|--|------------|
| General Electric Company, | \$3,596 01 |
| Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co., | 1,078 84 |
| Fort Wayne Electric Co., | 42 85 |
| Pay Roll, | 6,994 48 |
| Tufts Meter Co., | 408 07 |
| T. G. Ford, | 78 90 |
| Belcher & Loomis Hardware Co., | 123 16 |
| J. K. & B. Sears, | 59 64 |
| Pettingell Andrews Co., | 1 60 |
| Presbrey Stove Lining Co., | 35 10 |
| Smith & Hathaway, | 11 55 |
| Pneumatic Hand Stamp Co., | 1 47 |
| George E. Gilchrist Co., | 204 01 |
| Otis Briggs, | 235 97 |
| Tremaine Electric Co., | 27 52 |
| Walton Self Locking Block Co., | 8 00 |
| C. P. Washburn, | 30 45 |
| F. N. Whitman, | 50 |
| Wylie Bros., | 7 55 |
| Wetmore Savage Co., | 12 11 |
| LeBaron Foundry Co., | 3 61 |
| M. H. Cushing Co., | 30 67 |
| William Dean, | 40 |
| So. Mass. Telephone Co., | 73 39 |
| C. W. Maxim, | 147 63 |
| Henry L. Clapp, | 18 25 |
| John F. Walsh Co., | 6 84 |
| H. L. Thatcher & Co., | 48 10 |
| Stuart Howland Co., | 7 43 |
| T. W. Pierce, | 32 05 |
| W. H. Gallison, | 29 25 |
| Samuel Ward & Co., | 6 27 |
| Standard Chemical Co., | 18 88 |
| Standard Oil of New York, | 170 83 |
| Valvoline Oil Co., | 69 14 |
| Eagle Oil & Supply Co., | 86 52 |
| Vacuum Oil Co., | 50 00 |
| American Oil Co., | 14 89 |
| Clinton Oil Co., | 11 20 |
| Curry Oil & Supply Co., | 39 54 |
| C. A. Clafflin, | 23 30 |
| Gulf Refining Co., | 1,609 50 |
| Bryant & Soule, | 2,976 92 |
| J. & G. E. Doane, | 78 28 |

| | |
|---|----------|
| F. C. Norris, | \$15 50 |
| M. T. Soule, | 2 82 |
| T. G. Sisson, | 2 40 |
| F. F. Shurtleff, | 52 |
| Lloyd Perkins 2nd, | 154 14 |
| E. T. Jenks, | 30 |
| H. W. Johns-Manville Co., | 6 67 |
| Westinghouse Machine Co., | 92 80 |
| New York & Boston Dispatch Express Co., | 93 80 |
| Geo. A. Philbrook, | 33 23 |
| Old Colony Express, | 4 62 |
| N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. | 74 08 |
| L. E. Frorup | 47 54 |
| Empire Rubber Co. | 2 25 |
| Smith Premier Co. | 5 25 |
| A. S. Talman | 2 00 |
| Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection Co. | 40 00 |
| Jesse F. Morse | 14 15 |
| Middleboro Post Office | 57 17 |
| H. B. Caswell | 9 33 |
| Harold L. Bond | 16 06 |
| L. L. Crane | 1 00 |
| United States Fidelity & Guaranty Co. | 6 00 |
| Western Electric Co. | 2 88 |
| Mrs. John McNally | 140 31 |
| D. D. Sullivan | 117 55 |
| American Tool & Machine Co. | 15 00 |
| H. A. Witbeck | 1 20 |
| McKenney & Waterbury | 2 45 |
| Main Belting Co. | 3 00 |
| Eclipse Paint Co. | 5 25 |
| Whitfield Carbon Paper Co. | 75 |
| Combine Tool Co. | 2 50 |
| Cutter Tower Co. | 1 71 |
| Water-proof Paint Co. | 4 00 |
| Matchless Mfg. Co. | 75 |
| Bryant & Harlow | 16 25 |
| Deane Steam Pump Co. | 1 30 |
| Library Bureau | 65 |
| A. M. Wood | 1,546 54 |
| Esterbrook Company | 4,260 00 |
| Amos H. Eaton | 48 00 |
| Jose Parker | 1,000 00 |
| Scarborough Co. | 1 95 |

| | |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| H. W. Sears | \$50 00 |
| T. S. Hodgson | 50 00 |
| W. H. F. Pettee | 50 00 |
| Total | <hr/> \$26,902 00 |

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. PHILBROOK,
Manager.

Mr. George A. Philbrook, General Manager and Superintendent
Middleboro Gas and Electric Plant, Middleboro, Mass.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with your request I have made an examination of your gas and electric plant in order to ascertain what would be the most feasible proposition for you should it be decided to reconstruct the gas plant along modern lines.

In approaching this subject all the factors bearing on it had to be considered, among the most important of which are:

1. Source and cost of fuel supply at all times and seasons.
2. Flexibility of plant to meet all load conditions, not only in your illuminating gas manufacture, but also in the production of electrical current.
3. Most efficient plant at all loads.
4. Type of plant requiring least labor.
5. If possible, to secure a plant which would produce gas for your engines, and also illuminating gas from the same apparatus.

To meet the first case bituminous coal is much more plentiful than any other fuel and is not subject to arbitrary price setting as is the case with anthracite coal. The output of an overwhelming percentage of the latter mines being controlled by a group of operators who have a close working agreement, no competition is possible, as is the case with bituminous coal. It was therefore preferable to decide upon some style of soft coal apparatus if obtainable.

This point and the others can be met readily by what is known as the Loomis-Pettibone system of gas production, in which both producer gas for the engines and water gas for illuminating gas can be produced. All that is necessary to give the water gas the illuminating quality is to enrich it with a few gallons of oil.

That this system of manufacturing illuminating gas is feasible and practicable is demonstrated by the fact that a plant of this

description is in daily operation in Brooklyn, where 6,000,000 cubic feet are produced per day.

By this system of gas manufacturing the ratio of production of engine gas and illuminating gas can be changed at will ranging from about $2\frac{1}{3}$ feet of producer gas to one foot of illuminating gas or to 20, 30, 40, 50 or more cubic feet of the former to one of the latter, if desired, without any appreciable alteration in the efficiency of the plant.

Naturally, if you can manufacture illuminating gas considerably cheaper than you are now doing, and consequently sell it at a price on a par or lower than is the case with cities of about equal population, the demand for your product will increase rapidly so that more gas will be made with a proportionate reduction in the cost of manufacture. This is best illustrated by the comparative statement made a little further on showing the cost of gas in the holder where, in the first case, the amount generated is 10,000 cubic feet a day and in the second 35,000 cubic feet per day. By being able to sell the gas at a reasonable figure, say \$1.30 per thousand, to start with, a reduction of price could be made as your output increased, resulting in a constantly increasing demand for all descriptions of cooking and heating appliances.

The price of material and labor used for calculating the cost of gas are as follows:

| | |
|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Bituminous Coal | \$5 50 per gross ton. |
| Oil | 05 per gallon. |
| Labor | 2 75 per day of 12 hours. |

The illuminating gas has only been charged with the extra labor and fuel entailed in producing it, the power plant being charged with that portion used in producing the power gas. The interest and depreciation has also been calculated on the portion of the plant used in the manufacture of illuminating gas, which is practically the only equitable way to arrive at the true cost of production.

It must be remembered that of every 1000 cubic feet of illuminating gas about 23.4 per cent. would be oil gas and 76.6 of water gas.

The following table indicates as above stated the comparison between the manufacture of 10,000 and 35,000 cubic feet per day.

| <u>10,000 cu. ft. Ill. Gas per day.</u> | <u>35,000 cu. ft. Ill. Gas per day.</u> |
|---|--|
| 383 lbs. bitum. coal, at \$5.50 per ton \$ 94 | 1340 lbs. bitum. coal \$3 28 |
| 45 gals. oil at 5c. per gal. 2 25 | 1575 gals oil. 7 87 |

| | | | |
|---------------------------|--------|---------------------------|---------|
| Labor | 1 87 | Labor | \$2 50 |
| Purification | 20 | Purification | 70 |
| Interest and Depreciation | | Interest and Depreciation | |
| on \$23,513, at 7% | 4 50 | on \$24,780, at 7% | 4 75 |
| | <hr/> | | <hr/> |
| | \$9 76 | | \$19 10 |
| Cost gas per thousand | .976 | | .545 |

Interest charge slightly greater due to a larger proportion of the gas plant being devoted to the production of illuminating gas.

By the above you can readily see that it is to the interest of the community at large to use as much gas as possible, as everybody will benefit in direct proportion as the output increases.

In order to arrive at the necessary apparatus for producing not only the engine gas but illuminating gas as well, the writer has carefully estimated the cost of the various parts which enter into the construction of the plant. Generally these consist of the following:

One Loomis-Pettibone 6 feet by 13 feet generator plant complete including economizing boiler, wet scrubber, dry scrubber, exhauster, fire brick lining, valves, pipe and fittings.

One twenty-five thousand cubic foot holder as the main supply for the Town.

One five thousand cubic foot producer gas holder for engine gas.

One two thousand cubic foot holder to be used for a relief holder for the water gas before it is carburetted.

Two sets of benches of 4's including cast iron works and stack.

One exhauster for taking gas through the condenser and scrubber and forcing it through the purifiers to the main distributing holder.

One scrubber for illuminating gas.

All gas mains, valves and fittings around the plant, including small water piping, etc.

Moving condenser, purifiers and meter from present location to new site.

All freight and erection charges.

Total cost of the above at Middleboro \$28,539 00

Alterations and additions to generator house.

New retort house.

New purifier house.

Foundations for holders and apparatus.

Total cost of the above at Middleboro 7,150 00

Total cost of alterations and additions \$35,689 00

The above estimates are intended to cover a modern, up-to-date gas plant having the following advantages :

1. Ample capacity for future growth.
2. High economy even at present output.
3. All gas produced from one grade of fuel, and that the cheapest available.
4. New apparatus would work in perfect harmony with your present producers.
5. The producer gas manufactured by this apparatus would work equally well on your engines as demonstrated by thousands of horse-power in daily continuous use.

I omitted to state above that a fair estimate for collection charges would be about 30 cents per thousand cubic feet of gas.

The above report covers the principal features of the investigations I have made so far of your plants, and, as you will see, relates practically in its entirety to the illuminating gas end of your proposition. If there are any further points on which you desire information do not hesitate to communicate with us.

Yours very truly,

LOOMIS-PETTIBONE COMPANY.

H. A. KIMBER, Engineers.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON IMPROVING THE ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT.

The amounts ordered paid by the committee appear below :

| | |
|---|-------------------|
| Geo. A. Philbrook, committee's expenses | \$52 96 |
| N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. CO., freight | 332 20 |
| J. M. Moore, Agent, land | 250 00 |
| B. J. Allen, surveying | 550 00 |
| Jas. Hunter, Machine Co., shafting | 562 88 |
| Wilson G. Harlow, building plant | 10 00 |
| Bay State Belting Co., belts | 342 39 |
| Bryant and Harlow, building | 1,067 30 |
| John F. McCormick, foundations | 374 81 |
| Geo. A. Philbrook, Manager, labor | 146 41 |
| James Russell Boiler Works, stack | 24 64 |
| Frank E. Pierce, hard pine | 5 28 |
| Boston Bolt Co., bolt | 21 30 |
| Westinghouse Machine Co., Gas producer and two Gas engines | 13,903 69 |
| General Electric Co., Pand and Generator | 2,180 26 |
| C. O. Harden, teaming | 70 00 |
| C. H. Crowell, mason work | 98 75 |
| Isabell-Porter Co., valves | 103 80 |
| Geo. F. Blake Mfg. Co., pump | 94 00 |
| Walworth Mfg. Co., pipes | 709 13 |
| E. T. Jenks, expenses | 17 50 |
| Crosby Steam Gage Co., relief valve | 10 50 |
| Geo. E. Gilchrist Co., mdse. as per bills | 74 49 |
| H. W. Johns-Manville Co., asbestos cement | 23 75 |
| | ————— \$20,481 54 |
| Appropriation | \$20,000 00 |
| Premium on Loan | 136 67 |
| Overdrawn | 344 87 |
| | ————— \$20,481 54 |

ELISHA T. JENKS,
C. W. MAXIM,
GEO. A. PHILLBROOK,
AMOS H. EATON, -
Committee.

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Trustees of the Public Library

For the year 1907.

The annual report of the Trustees for the year 1907, is herewith respectfully submitted. At the annual Town meeting, Mr. Walter Sampson was chosen as a trustee to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. John C. Sullivan.

Miss Alice M. Alden was elected as Librarian at the annual meeting of the Trustees. Misses Florence A. Robinson, Marion K. Tillson and Mary M. Eddy have served with her as assistants. It gives us pleasure to commend the fidelity with which the entire staff has served the interests of the Library.

Several bills incurred in the work of 1907 were not rendered in season to be included in this report, leaving the balance of cash on hand somewhat larger than it would otherwise be.

It is hoped that all of our people may make themselves acquainted with their Library and with the effort that is made to conserve the interests of all classes.

The report of the Librarian and the Treasurer, and a list of Periodicals on the reading tables are also presented herewith.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN.

To the Trustees :

I herewith present the thirty-fourth annual report of the Middleboro Public Library.

At the beginning of the year an inventory was taken and missing books replaced as far as possible. The Library has been open daily for the delivery of books, excepting legal holidays and Sundays, from 2 to 9 p. m. Reading room is open Sundays from 2 to 7 p. m.

During the year there have been many visitors, especially during the summer months, many of whom were strangers in town.

LIBRARY ART CLUB EXHIBITS.

Membership in the Library Art Club has been continued and pictures have been placed in the Art Gallery, changing about once in three weeks. Many of these were very instructive and interesting.

Among the subjects were the following :

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| Florence. | Plymouth views. |
| American parks. | Ireland. |
| China. | England lake district. |
| Milton, Framingham and Lancaster. | Famous pictures No. 2. |

Accessions.

There have been registered in the accession book 1,055 volumes, of which 932 volumes were purchased, 63 volumes by binding of magazines and 60 volumes by gift. It has been necessary to replace 34 books, most of which were in the Young People's Room. Many more are in bad condition, owing to much use. The Library now contains 16,003 volumes.

The following are gifts received during the year
 History of Bristol County, by Hurd. From Mr. Geo. Brayton.
 Princely men of the Heavenly Kingdom, by Beach.
 Price of Africa, by Taylor.
 Modern apostles of missionary byways, by Thompson.
 Africa waiting, by Thornton.

These four "From a friend".

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| Canada. | From the Supt. of Immigration, Ottawa. | | | | |
| 15 vols. of Mass. Reports. | | From Secretary of State. | | | |
| Vital Records of Bradford. | | " | " | " | " |
| " " " Dracut. | | " | " | " | " |
| " " " Gardner. | | " | " | " | " |
| " " " Hubbardston. | | " | " | " | " |
| " " " Lynn. | | " | " | " | " |
| " " " Medford. | | " | " | " | " |
| " " " Sutton. | | " | " | " | " |
| " " " Templeton. | | " | " | " | " |
| " " " West Stockbridge. | | " | " | " | " |
| " " " Williamstown. | | " | " | " | " |

Four volumes reports from the United States Government.
 Report of Life-Saving Service, 1906. From Mr. Elisha Jenks.
 Monthly periodical: Riches. From Mrs. Edward Brayton.
 Our Young Folks, 9 vols. From Mr. Geo. Brayton.
 St. Nicholas, 5 vols. " " " "

Wide Awake, 3 vols. From Mr. Geo. Brayton.

Meservey's Book-keeping.

History of Brockton relief fund in Grover factory fire.

From Rev. Albert Pierce.

Life and works of Michael Angelo. From Mr. John Murdock.

Recollections of eminent men, by Whipple. From Mr. Murdock.

Souvenir of Mass. Legislature, 1907. From Mr. J. E. Beals.

Dodge Genealogy, by Woodward. From Mr. C. M. Thatcher.

CIRCULATION.

The circulation of books for home reading for 1907 was 44,994 volumes: 35,949 fiction, 9,045 non-fiction. Of these 13,875 were from the Young People's Room: fiction, 8,723; non fiction, 5,152. Average daily circulation, 147. The largest circulation for one day was on February 23, 363 books; the smallest, February 5, when 32 books were given out. Two books have been reported lost, one damaged, and paid for by the borrowers.

REGISTRATION.

Three hundred and eighty-three applications have been made for cards. Of this number 107 were young people under fifteen years of age. Total registration Dec. 31, 1907, 2,663.

REFERENCE AND READING ROOM.

This room is open during Library hours, also on Sundays from 2 to 7 P. M. It has been well patronized the past year. The librarian and assistants are always glad to help anyone looking up special topics. Some of the reference books added this year are an Encyclopedia of Architecture, Carpentry and Building, 10 volumes; Encyclopedia of Missions, 3 volumes, and Statesman's Year Book, 1907.

The Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature (a monthly) is placed with Poole's index. This gives the articles in the monthly magazines arranged by subjects. A new periodical, What's in the Magazines, is to be added this year. Other new magazines are Manual Training, Musician, New Thought Magazine, Textile Record, Boot and Shoe Recorder.

Total number of magazines, 93. Daily papers, 8. Weekly papers, 6. Religious weeklies, 7.

CHILDREN'S ROOM.

The year in this room has been a successful one. Two hundred and fourteen new books have been added, many of them for

school use. Reading lists for the holidays celebrated in the schools have been posted for the use of teachers and scholars, and displays of pictures, suited as far as possible to the season, have been placed on the bulletin board. Two special reading lists have been prepared, one on Sea Stories and the other Stories of School Life. The teachers are not limited in the number of books taken for school use, and it is hoped more of them will use this room.

A gift of the remaining volumes of St. Nicholas necessary to complete the set, as well as several volumes of Our Young Folks, has been much appreciated by the children.

Binding.

Two hundred and ninety-six volumes have been rebound besides 63 volumes of the magazines of 1906. Besides these many books have been repaired at the Library. Sixty-eight volumes are still at the binder's.

Reserves.

As before, the reserving of books in the order of names left is done for all who desire to secure any particular book, without charge. A penny is left by those desiring a postal sent. The most popular books as well as the duplicate magazines of the current month have been made seven day books, enabling more people to use them.

Respectfully submitted,

ALICE M. ALDEN,
Librarian.

LIST OF PERIODICALS.

Magazines.

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| American Boy. | Boot and Shoe Recorder. |
| American Homes and Gardens. | Business Man's Magazine. |
| American Magazine. | Cat Journal. |
| American Photography. | Century. |
| Appleton's. | Collier's. |
| Art de la Mode. | Cosmopolitan. |
| Atlantic. | Country Life in America. |
| Automobile. | Craftsman. |
| Blackwood's. | Cumulative Index. |

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| Current Literature. | New Thought Magazine. |
| Delineator. | North American Review |
| Donahoe's. | Outing. |
| Eclectic. | Outlook. |
| Education. | Overland Monthly. |
| Engineering. | Photo Era. |
| Electrical World. | Photo Miniature. |
| Electrician and Mechanic. | Photographic Times. |
| Etude. | Physical Culture. |
| Everybody's. | Popular Educator. |
| Farm Poultry. | Popular Mechanics. |
| Federation Bulletin. | Popular Science Monthly. |
| Forum. | Practical Politics. |
| Garden Magazine. | Primary Education. |
| Good Health. | Printing Art. |
| Good Housekeeping. | Putnam's Magazine. |
| Harper's Bazar. | Protectionist. |
| Harper's Monthly. | Reader's Guide to Periodical |
| Harper's Weekly. | Literature. |
| House Beautiful. | Review of Reviews. |
| Independent. | Riches. |
| International Studio. | St. Nicholas. |
| Ladies' Home Journal. | Saturday Evening Post. |
| Library Journal. | School Arts Book. |
| Life. | Science. |
| Lippincott's. | Scientific American. |
| Little Folks. | Scientific American Supplement. |
| Literary Digest. | Scribner's. |
| McCall's. | Strand. |
| McClure's. | Success. |
| Manual Training. | Suburban Life. |
| Masters in Art. | Technical World. |
| Mayflower descendant. | Textile Record. |
| Modern Priscilla. | Travel Magazine. |
| Munsey's. | Vogue. |
| Musician. | What's in the Magazines. |
| New England Homestead. | World's Work. |
| New England Magazine. | Youth's Companion. |

Daily Papers.

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| Boston Globe. | Boston Transcript, Monday and |
| Boston Herald. | Saturday. |
| Boston Post. | Brockton Enterprise. |
| Boston Record. | Brockton Times. |
| | New York Sun. |

Weekly Newspapers.

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|----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Barnstable Patriot. | Old Colony Memorial (Plymouth). |
| Bristol County Republican. | New York Evening Mail. |
| Middleboro Gazette. | Republican Standard (New Bedford). |

Religious Weeklies.

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| Christian Herald. | Universalist Leader. |
| Christian Register. | Watchman. |
| Congregationalist. | World's Crisis. |
| Sacred Heart Review. | |

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

General Expense Account.

| | | |
|---|----------|------------|
| On hand January 1, 1907. | | \$46 04 |
| Received from town treasurer, "dog licenses," | | 1,118 92 |
| Received from town, "other licenses," | | 326 27 |
| " interest on deposits, | | 9 03 |
| " income of "Enoch Pratt Fund", | | 400 00 |
| " town appropriation, | | 400 00 |
| " fines, etc., at Library, | | 153 58 |
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| | | \$2,453 84 |
| Paid Librarian, | \$450 00 | |
| Assistants, | 338 04 | |
| Janitor, | 426 00 | |
| For coal, | 244 13 | |
| Lighting bills, | 335 90 | |
| Telephone, | 18 16 | |
| Insurance, | 41 87 | |
| Work on lot and lawn, | 36 15 | |
| Repairs, etc., to building, | 30 80 | |
| Supplies and incidentals, | 60 96 | |
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| | | 1,982 01 |
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| Balance | | \$471 83 |

Peirce Book Fund.

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| On hand January 1, 1907. | 439 06 |
| Received, Magazine subscription refunded | 2 75 |
| April 3, Received from Peirce Trustees | 936 77 |
| October 3, Received from Peirce Trustees | 936 77 |
| Received for books sold | 7 92 |
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| | \$2,323 27 |

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| Paid for books, | \$1,177 86 |
| papers and magazines, | 257 01 |
| binding and rebinding, | 176 62 |
| express and carting, | 32 71 |
| Library Art Club, 2 years, | 12 00 |
| Library of Congress cards, | 25 00 |
| Printing, | 4 00 |
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| | \$1,685 20 |

Balance January 1, 1908, \$638 07

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH E. BEALS,

Secretary and Treasurer.

Middleboro, Mass., January 1, 1908.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES, 1907-1908.

| | |
|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Walter Sampson, | Term expires 1908 |
| W. H. Southworth, President, | " " 1908 |
| Nathan Washburn, | " " 1908 |
| David G. Pratt, | " " 1909 |
| Kenelm Winslow, | " " 1909 |
| Joseph E. Beals, Secretary, | " " 1909 |
| George Brayton, | " " 1910 |
| Edward S. Hathaway, | " " 1910 |
| Andrew M. Wood, | " " 1910 |

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE
TOWN OF MIDDLEBOROUGH, MASS.
FOR 1907



MIDDLEBORO, MASS.:
MIDDLEBORO NEWS JOB PRINT
1908

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Organization, 1907-1908.

REV. W. C. LITCHFIELD, *Chairman.*

CHARLES H. BATES, *Secretary.*

Members.

REV. W. C. LITCHFIELD, 1 Southwick Street, Term expires 1908

WARREN H. SOUTHWORTH, 7 West Street, Term expires 1908

WILLIAM A. ANDREWS, 57 So. Main Street, Term expires 1909

NATHAN WASHBURN, 70 So. Main Street, Term expires 1909

E. T. P. JENKS, 26 North Main Street, Term expires 1910

CHARLES S. TINKHAM, 11 Courtland Street, Term expires 1910

Superintendent of Schools.

CHARLES H. BATES, 103 So. Main Street.

• *Telephone, 81-5.*

Office, Room 7, Town Hall.

Telephone, 81-6.

Office Hours, school days: Mondays and Fridays, 4 to 5 P. M.;

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8 to 9 A. M.;

Wednesdays, 6.30 to 7.30 P. M.

Regular meetings of the Committee are held in Room 7, Town Hall, on the first Thursday of each month, at 8.00 P. M.

All bills against the School Department should be sent to the Secretary's office not later than the Wednesday preceding the first Thursday of each month.

Regular Committee Meetings, Jan. 2, Feb. 6, March 5, April 2, May 7, June 4, July 2, Sept. 3, Oct. 1, Nov. 5, Dec. 3.

Sub-Committees.

High, Union Street and West Side Schools, W. H. SOUTHWORTH

Forest Street, Rock, South Middleboro and Highland Schools,

REV. W. C. LITCHFIELD

School Street, Fall Brook, Wappanucket and Marion Road
Schools

NATHAN WASHBURN

Waterville, Green and Thomastown Schools,

WILLIAM A. ANDREWS

Pleasant Street, Plymouth Street and Purchase Schools,

CHARLES S. TINKHAM

Nemasket, Thompsonville, Soule and Main Street Schools,

E. T. P. JENKS

TOWN OF MIDDLEBORO.

In School Committee.

January 2, 1908.

Voted: That the reports of the Secretary of the Board, Superintendent of Schools, Principal of the High School, Supervisors of Music and Drawing, be adopted and presented to the Town by the School Board.

CHARLES H. BATES,
Secretary.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE SCHOOL BOARD.

Middleboro, Mass., Jan. 2, 1908.

To the Citizens of Middleboro :

The following financial report of the School Board is hereby respectfully submitted.

Financial Statement.

CURRENT EXPENDITURES.

Dr.

| | |
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| Balance from last year | \$16 91 |
| Appropriation | 27,700 00 |
| State Board of Lunacy and Charity, tuition | 414 00 |
| City of Boston, tuition | 191 50 |
| Town of Lakeville, tuition | 792 00 |
| Town of Plympton, tuition | 110 00 |
| Stewart Pink, tuition, High School | 35 00 |
| Else L. Cole, tuition, High School | 20 00 |
| Florence G. Washburn, tuition, High School | 20 00 |
| Incidentals | 2 43 |
| Sale of books and supplies | 8 00 |
| Received of Chas. S. Tinkham | 2 00 |
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| | \$29,311 84 |

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| Salaries | \$22,466 00 |
| Care of buildings | 2,079 35 |
| Fuel | 2,138 24 |
| Books and supplies | 1,655 61 |
| Sundries | 470 45 |
| Rent | 300 00 |
| Tuition, Town of Bridgewater | 18 50 |
| Printing | 173 77 |
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| | \$29,301 92 |
| | \$9 92 |

SCHOOL COMMITTEE SALARIES.

| | | | |
|------------------|-----|---------|----------|
| | Dr. | | |
| Appropriation | | | \$150 00 |
| | Cr. | | |
| W. C. Litchfield | | \$25 00 | |
| W. H. Southworth | | 25 00 | |
| Nathan Washburn | | 25 00 | |
| W. A. Andrews | | 25 00 | |
| C. S. Tinkham | | 25 00 | |
| E. T. P. Jenks | | 25 00 | |
| | | <hr/> | \$150 00 |

TRANSPORTATION.

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| | Dr. | | |
| Appropriation | | \$2,000 00 | |
| Balance from last year | | 73 70 | |
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| | | \$2,073 70 | |
| | Cr. | | |
| Expended | | \$1,910 12 | |
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| Unexpended | | \$163 58 | |

INSURANCE.

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| | Dr. | | |
| Appropriation | | \$648 00 | |
| | Cr. | | |
| P. W. Keith | | \$96 00 | |
| B. J. Allan | | 69 00 | |
| C. L. Hathaway | | 69 00 | |
| D. D. Sullivan | | 69 00 | |
| J. F. Alden | | 69 00 | |
| S. G. Robinson | | 69 00 | |
| Annie M. Reed | | 69 00 | |
| Chas. E. Ryder | | 39 00 | |
| T. M. Ryder | | 30 00 | |
| Theodore N. Wood | | 69 00 | |
| | | <hr/> | \$648 00 |

REPAIRS.

Dr.

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| Appropriation | \$1000 00 |
| Cash received from W. H. Southworth | 26 47 |
| Cash received from James A. Burgess | 5 62 |
| | <hr/> \$1,032 09 |

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| Expended | \$1025 80 |
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| Unexpended | \$6 29 |

SUMMARY.

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| Whole amount available for school purposes | \$33,215 63 |
| Total expenditures | 33,035 84 |
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| Unexpended | \$179 79 |

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES.

Instruction.

| | |
|------------------------------|-------------|
| High School | \$5,350 00 |
| Main Street Grammar School | 1,032 00 |
| Main Street Primary School | 874 00 |
| School Street Grammar School | 1,564 00 |
| School Street Primary School | 782 00 |
| Union Street School | 1,507 00 |
| Forest Street School | 874 00 |
| West Side School | 1,828 00 |
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| | \$13,811 00 |

Suburban Schools :

| | |
|-----------------|----------|
| Pleasant Street | \$380 00 |
| Plymouth Street | 380 00 |
| Purchade | 354 00 |
| Nemasket | 380 00 |
| Thompsonville | 342 00 |
| Soule | 380 00 |
| Waterville | 357 00 |
| Green | 380 00 |

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| Fall Brook | \$380 00 |
| Thomastown | 380 00 |
| South Middleboro | 380 00 |
| Highland | 365 00 |
| Rock | 357 00 |
| Wappanucket | 380 00 |
| Marion Road | 380 00 |

\$5,575 00

Special teachers :

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| Music | \$600 00 |
| Drawing | 480 00 |

Janitors.

Central Schools :

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| Main Street building | \$530 00 |
| Union Street and Main Street primary buildings | 420 00 |
| School Street building | 360 00 |
| Forest Street building | 180 00 |
| West Side building | 240 00 |

\$1,730 00

Suburban Schools :

| | |
|------------------|---------|
| Pleasant Street | \$38 00 |
| Plymouth Street | 38 00 |
| Purchade | 14 80 |
| Nemasket | 32 50 |
| Thompsonville | 15 05 |
| Soule | 38 00 |
| Waterville | 21 30 |
| Green | 14 75 |
| Fall Brook | 14 90 |
| Thomastown | 19 00 |
| Rock | 38 00 |
| South Middleboro | 16 90 |
| Highland | 16 90 |
| Wappanucket | 18 50 |
| Marion Road | 13 75 |

\$349 35

Fuel.

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| Central Schools : | |
| Bryant and Soule | \$1,566 11 |
| B. C. Shaw | 89 45 |
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| | \$1,655 56 |

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| Suburban Schools : | |
| Bryant and Soule | \$17 06 |
| B. C. Shaw | 149 87 |
| A. H. Soule | 58 75 |
| Isaac E. Perkins | 108 00 |
| C. N. Atwood | 3 75 |
| Orien E. Deane | 31 50 |
| Chas. S. Tinkham | 37 50 |
| T. C. Savery | 3 25 |
| Bradford K. Cushman | 29 00 |
| Washburn and Soule | 36 00 |
| G. A. Williams | 8 00 |
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| | \$482 68 |

Sundries.

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| F. N. Whitman, sundries | \$8 40 |
| So. Mass. Telephone Co., telephone rental | 37 09 |
| N. Y. & B. D. Express Co., express | 22 25 |
| W. H. Goodwin, sundries, High School | 4 60 |
| T. W. Pierce, sundries | 22 87 |
| Carrie L. Jones, taking school census | 55 00 |
| George L. Finney, sundries, Forest street | 10 39 |
| J. & G. E. Doane, sundries | 24 25 |
| Middlebore Gas & Electric Plant, gas and electric lights | 37 79 |
| Middleboro Fire District, water, West Side | 18 00 |
| Wm. H. Paige, tuning pianos | 4 75 |
| S. S. Lovell, sundries and services as truant officer | 40 14 |
| George W. Stetson, labor | 1 25 |
| E. T. P. Jenks, cash paid for sundries | 4 00 |
| Charlotte Turner, cleaning schoolroom | 1 25 |
| Christena Pratt, cash paid for sundries | 25 |
| Henry W. Stone, filling in diplomas | 5 40 |
| W. A. D. Clark, filling in certificates | 3 00 |
| Walter Sampson, incidentals for High School | 3 92 |
| Leonard O. Tillson, incidentals for school | 3 07 |
| Estate of John McNally, cartage and freight | 40 06 |

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| James A. Burgess, cleaning suburban buildings | \$76 50 |
| E. H. Blake, furnishing keys | 1 50 |
| Otis Briggs, horse hire | 1 00 |
| Leo A. Quindley, extra work at Nemasket | 2 75 |
| H. C. Keith, sharpening lawn mowers | 3 50 |
| T. G. Sisson, cartage and freight | 34 47 |
| Herbert Erickson, extra work at Green | 1 00 |
| George W. Hammond, services as truant officer | 2 00 |
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| | \$470 45 |

Books and Supplies.

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| American Book Co., books | \$57 12 |
| Ginn & Co., books | 134 00 |
| E. E. Babb & Co., books and supplies | 466 62 |
| Silver, Burdett & Co., books | 58 52 |
| Thorp and Martin Co., supplies | 22 80 |
| D. C. Heath & Co., books | 53 69 |
| F. N. Whitman, books | 4 15 |
| Milton Bradley & Co., supplies | 70 77 |
| William R. Jenkins, books | 4 19 |
| Charles Scribner's Sons, books | 445 13 |
| Bay State Paper Co., supplies | 1 15 |
| J. B. Lippincott, books | 1 00 |
| A. J. Tiffany, supplies | 75 00 |
| Carter, Rice & Co., supplies | 2 60 |
| Atkinson, Mentzer & Grover, books | 1 95 |
| T. F. Boucher, supplies | 75 |
| David Farquhar, binding books | 39 94 |
| B. H. Sanborn & Co., books | 8 34 |
| Smith & Hathaway, supplies | 88 67 |
| Ellis Pub. Co., books | 39 80 |
| J. L. Hammett Co., supplies | 77 18 |
| Chandler & Barber, supplies | 2 24 |
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| | \$1,655 61 |

Printing.

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| Middleboro News | \$14 75 |
| Lorenzo Wood | 75 00 |
| H. L. Thatcher & Co | 84 02 |
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| | \$173 77 |

High School Transportation.

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| Lottie N. Blakeslee | \$1 60 |
| Shirlie C. Clark | 5 55 |
| LeRoy LeBaron | 17 10 |
| Charles E. Reed | 11 40 |
| Mary Shaw | 22 40 |
| Elmer A. Sisson | 11 70 |
| Mildred A. Thomas | 11 30 |
| Herbert L. Wilber | 11 50 |
| George L. Barney | 9 20 |
| Winsor A. Carver | 15 10 |
| Ruth M. Davis | 9 05 |
| Ella G. Glendall | 8 85 |
| Willis C. Halcomb | 7 85 |
| Ethel Macomber | 9 20 |
| Clarence L. Wilber | 18 30 |
| Mary C. Azevedo | 18 50 |
| Orton C. Newhall | 9 45 |
| Arthur C. Ripley | 27 30 |
| Celesta O. Shaw | 35 60 |
| Alfred E. Standish | 9 45 |
| Ernest E. Thomas | 9 50 |
| Leslie M. Thomas | 9 50 |
| Lyman H. Thomas | 18 30 |
| Joseph E. Wood | 1 25 |
| Susan A. Bishop | 9 50 |
| Alice C. Dunham | 9 25 |
| Elsie H. Dunham | 9 15 |
| Marian F. Dunham | 9 40 |
| Florence A. Hunt | 19 00 |
| Emil B. Perry | 9 30 |
| Carrie L. Murch | 22 44 |
| Forest B. Standish | 5 20 |
| Lillian A. Ward | 28 05 |
| Arthur B. Westgate | 5 75 |
| Allerton E. Wilbur | 9 45 |
| Harold A. Williams | 9 35 |
| Ellis M. Wilber | 5 60 |
| Elmer G. Allan | 3 50 |
| Helen M. Braley | 3 80 |
| Merton L. Braley | 3 80 |
| Harold W. Gibbs | 3 70 |
| Mildred L. Gibbs | 3 20 |

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| Sadie McCrillis | \$3 75 |
| Marion H. Thomas | 3 50 |
| Waldo S. Thomas | 3 70 |
| Helen E. Tinkham | 2 10 |
| Susie B. Tinkham | 1 55 |
| Sarah A. Vaughan | 7 40 |
| Minnie E. Westgate | 3 70 |
| Annie H. Wilbur | 7 50 |

\$511 59

Transportation to Elementary Schools.

School Teams.

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|------------------------------------|----------|
| Pleasant Street, Robert W. Thorson | \$386 00 |
| Thomastown, Dana H. Shaw | 358 00 |
| South Middleboro, C. E. Blackwell | 394 88 |
| Thompsonville, David N. Wetherbee | 106 70 |

\$1,245 58

Individual Transportation.

Main Street Grammar School.

| | |
|--------------------|--------|
| Roy H. Tinkham | \$3 25 |
| Waldo S. Thomas | 5 50 |
| Susie B. Tinkham | 4 50 |
| Annie H. Wilbur | 11 00 |
| Minnie E. Westgate | 5 50 |
| Carlton Dunham | 5 25 |
| Sarah A. Vaughan | 11 35 |
| Grace W. Leonard | 4 25 |
| J. Clark Wilmot | 2 75 |

\$53 35

Rock School.

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| Alice Boutin | \$4 05 |
| Margaret Thomas | 5 00 |
| Ralph W. Tripp | 5 00 |
| Lawrence W. Wilbur | 5 00 |
| Ida L. Bearse | 5 50 |
| Roy W. Tripp | 5 00 |
| Ethel F. Morrison | 9 00 |

\$38 55

School Street School.

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|--------------------|---------|
| Alice Boutin | \$5 90 |
| Margaret Thomas | 7 10 |
| Ralph W. Tripp | 7 40 |
| Lawrence W. Wilbur | 7 30 |
| Ida L. Bearse | 7 50 |
| Roy W. Tripp | 7 40 |
| Ethel F. Morrison | 10 95 |
| Flossie M. Carver | 3 75 |
| Florence W. Sweet | 3 75 |
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| | \$61 05 |

Repairs.

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| Amount available | \$1 032 09 |
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Expended.

| | |
|---|---------|
| M. C. Rounseville, balance of 1906 bill for labor | \$65 83 |
| Andrews School Furniture Co., blackboards | 11 22 |
| C. H. Crowell, balance of 1906 bill for labor | 2 00 |
| F. E. Pierce, balance of 1906 bill for labor | 73 18 |
| M. W. Baxter, balance of 1906 bill for labor | 4 92 |
| T. W. Pierce, material and labor at School Street, Forest Street, Union Street | 108 45 |
| J. & G. E. Doane, material and labor | 6 42 |
| Jones Bros. Co., labor and material | 15 75 |
| C. W. Maxim, material and labor at High School | 17 79 |
| J. K. & B. Sears & Co., material of West Side School | 26 33 |
| M. W. Baxter, labor at Forest Street | 1 25 |
| F. E. Pierce, labor at High School and West Side | 13 82 |
| Chas. S. Tinkham, cash paid for repairs | 6 50 |
| Eben Jones, labor at West Side and High Schol | 5 09 |
| T. F. Boucher, painting Union Street school door | 50 |
| C. W. Maxim, material | 1 60 |
| M. W. Baxter, repairs at Forest Street | 9 50 |
| Chas. S. Tinkham, cash paid for repairs | 3 75 |
| F. C. Sparrow, labor at School Street | 13 50 |
| Joseph N. Shaw, labor at Fall Brook | \$1 50 |
| J. K. & B. Sears & Co., material for Rock | 11 47 |
| E. H. Blake, labor and keys | 1 00 |
| F. E. Pierce, labor at High School building | 5 43 |
| J. & G. E. Doane, material and labor at West Side, High and 3 suburban schools | 45 42 |
| Frank E. Miller, labor | 24 57 |
| Lester Gibbs, repairs at Fall Brook | 1 00 |

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|---|------------|
| Geo. L. Finney, labor at Forest Street building | \$13 98 |
| Zenas E. Phinney, labor at High School, Union Street, School Street, West Side and 7 suburban schools | 115 40 |
| J. K. & B. Sears & Co., material for Green | 59 47 |
| Eben Jones, repairs at High School, Union Street, Thomastown and Green | 145 70 |
| E. A. Masefield, repairs on High School building | 14 98 |
| James A. Burgess, repairs on suburban buildings | 16 14 |
| Thomas & Benn, labor at Forest Street | 85 |
| C. N. Atwood, material for fence at Rock | 3 25 |
| C. H. Crowell, labor at West Side and Pleasant Street | 19 75 |
| C. W. Maxim, material | 78 |
| Edward E. Sisson, repairing at South Middleboro School | 1 00 |
| Jones Bros. Co., material for West Side and 3 suburban schools | 4 65 |
| Josiah T. Carver, painting Pleasant Street building | 30 80 |
| James A. Burgess, labor at Rock School | 2 00 |
| Thomas W. Pierce, material and repairs at Union Street | 13 86 |
| C. H. Crowell, labor at Purchase School | 5 00 |
| Thomas & Benn, labor at Forest Street | 1 75 |
| O'Hara Bros., cash paid on order for labor at School Street | 15 74 |
| J. K. & B. Sears & Co., material | 56 |
| T. W. Pierce, labor at School Street | 2 45 |
| J. K. & B. Sears & Co., material for School Street | 45 19 |
| Thomas & Benn, labor at Forest Street | 2 20 |
| Jones Bros., material and labor at West Side and High School | 8 10 |
| Eben Jones, labor on blackboards | 17 01 |
| F. W. Pierce, hanging doors and putting on windows High School | 7 40 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,025 80 |

COMPARATIVE EXPENSE TABLE.

1905-1907.

| | 1905. | 1906. | 1907. |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Instruction, superintendence, care of buildings, and fuel | \$23,944 77 | \$24,393 18 | \$26,679 59 |
| Books and supplies | 1,368 80 | 1,667 42 | 1,665 61 |

NOTE.—The bills for repairs are given in the order acted on by the School Board, each of the above accounts representing a single bill.

| | 1905. | 1906. | 1907. |
|---|----------|----------|----------|
| Printing | \$160 80 | \$208 40 | \$173 77 |
| Sundries | 600 78 | 589 64 | 470 45 |
| Transportation to High School | 683 80 | 765 12 | 511 59 |
| Transportation to Elementary Schools | 2,052 20 | 1,375 18 | 1,398 53 |
| Repairs | 1,000 00 | 1,558 44 | 1,025 80 |
| Insurance | | | 648 00 |
| Rent | | 300 00 | 300 00 |

EXPENDITURES AND ESTIMATES.

1907.

| | Expenditures | Estimates |
|----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Salaries | \$22,466 00 | \$22,700 00 |
| Care of buildings | 2,075 35 | 2,100 00 |
| Fuel | 2,138 24 | 2,000 00 |
| Books, supplies and printing | 1,829 38 | 1,850 00 |
| Sundries | 470 45 | 550 00 |
| Transportation | 1,910 12 | 2,000 00 |
| Repairs | 1,025 80 | 1,000 00 |
| Rent of Chapel building | 300 00 | 300 00 |
| Salaries of School Committee | 150 00 | 150 00 |
| Insurance, special appropriation | 648 00 | 648 00 |

Respectfully Submitted,

CHARLES H. BATES,

Secretary.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

TWENTY-THIRD IN THE SERIES.

Middleboro, Mass., Jan. 2, 1908.

To the School Committee of Middleboro :

I respectfully present my seventh annual report of the Schools of Middleboro.

As the citizens of the town have been kept so well informed as to what is being done in the schools by the publication from time to time of the "School Notes" in the columns of the local press, I do not consider it necessary in this report to more than refer in the briefest manner to the present condition and needs of the schools.

Suffice it to say that I believe the schools at the present time are in good condition and that the past year has been one of substantial progress. Both school officials and teachers, splendidly supported by the citizens of the town, have worked faithfully and enthusiastically to raise the standard of the schools, and that they have been fairly successful the excellent attendance of the pupils, the cordial co-operation of parents with teachers, the large attendance at school exercises and exhibitions, the widening of school activities by teachers' meetings, school visitation and professional study and reading, are evidences of that interest, enthusiasm and success.

The present year is full of promise, and plans are already outlined for emphasizing certain phases of educational work which we hope will do much towards advancing the schools to a higher standard of excellence.

The High School is doing excellent work under the leadership of its principal and is in every way worthy of the strongest support of the citizens of the town. The removal of the grammar grades from the building last September, thereby giving the whole building for High School work, was a very important change for increasing the opportunities of the school, for it has made possible a better seating arrangement and increased the efficiency of some of the teaching.

It is hoped that a strong four years' commercial course can be started next September thereby enlarging the scope of its usefulness.

Through the offer of the Pierce trustees extensive repairs were made on the building last summer. A new boiler was installed, new floors were laid in the corridors, and an excellent assembly hall made by removing the seats and desks from two rooms on the second floor, together with the partition between the two rooms. This hall has been furnished with 224 chairs and can now be used for any school exercises.

A toilet room was provided on each of the first two floors, new doors were placed at the entrances, and many minor details attended to. The great improvement in the interior appearance of this building is much appreciated by both teachers and pupils. The most inspiring event in the educational work of the past year was the occupancy of the new School Street school building, an extended description of which was given in the report of last year. This building was practically finished in April but it was thought best not to occupy it till the fall term. The building is complete in every detail and the grounds have been well laid out. It is a cause for congratulation that the building, with grounds well graded, was turned over to the town by the building committee within the appropriation.

The plan suggested in the last year's report for grading the central schools last September was carried out and has worked well.

When another new building shall be erected it will make possible a system of public schools equal to any in the commonwealth.

The Chapel building continues to meet our needs very acceptably. The committee of the Central Congregational Society has made many improvements which give better schoolroom facilities.

The Union Street building is now used for the grades which were in the old School Street building last year. The old double seats and desks in the rear room, now occupied by a fourth grade, have been replaced by single seats and desks, thus giving to every central school the same equipment. The lower rear room in this building is now used by a class in manual training, two periods a week.

I would suggest that it might be advisable to install another furnace in this building as it is difficult at times to keep all these rooms sufficiently comfortable in cold weather with the one furnace now in use.

The Forest Street building has been thoroughly renovated the past summer and the furnaces repaired.

The building at the West Side under present growth in school membership will soon be unable to accommodate the grades there, and it is only a matter of a short time when either an addition to the building must be made or some other plan adopted for taking care of the increasing membership.

Under the new grading next September the ninth grade in this building will not be transferred to School Street building owing to the room being needed for increased membership in those schools.

The membership in all the Central Schools has shown a decided increase the past year and a rearrangement of the grades will be necessary next September.

I consider the Suburban Schools as a whole in better condition at present than at any time during my supervision. These schools with few exceptions have a small membership and with interested and efficient teachers there is no reason why under the present arrangements they should not be doing excellent work. The total enrollment of these schools the past year was smaller than the previous year. In the way of repairs these improvements are noted: Pleasant Street building has been painted; the interiors of the Thomastown and Green buildings renovated; the old double seats and desks in the Thompsonville, Waterville, Thomastown and Fall Brook schools have been replaced by individual seats and desks, much improving the appearance of the rooms as well as being better adapted to the pupils; the well at the Highlands has been put in working order, and many minor repairs made on the other buildings. During the present year it will be necessary to paint the Plymouth Street, Nemasket and Fall Brook buildings and renovate the interior of the South Middleboro building.

The special teachers in music and drawing are doing good work and I refer you to their reports for what has been done in those two departments. I consider these two branches of school work worthy of the best encouragement and strongest support.

The Stamp Saving System is still being successfully carried on in the schools under the direction of the Cabot Club.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. BATES,
Superintendent of Schools.

SPECIAL REPORTS.

HIGH SCHOOL.

SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC.

SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING AND
MANUAL TRAINING.



THE NEW SCHOOL STREET SCHOOL BUILDING

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF THE HIGH SCHOOL.

Mr. C. H. Bates, Superintendent of Schools:

Dear Sir—I submit the following brief report of my eighteenth year as Principal of the High school.

The important feature connected with the school during the past year has been the removal of the upper grammar grades from the High school building and the fitting it up for High school purposes. The building is now occupied by the High school alone, in accordance with the original plan of its building committee. The advantages resulting from this change cannot be too strongly emphasized. Our crowded condition for the past few years has rendered it difficult to secure the best results.

Our recitation rooms now are not overcrowded, and our assembly hall, well equipped with chairs for seating 224 pupils, serves to promote the best interests of the school in many ways. It is an inspiration to both teachers and pupils to have such a pleasant and commodious place in which to get together for devotional exercises, and for such other purposes as occasion and convenience may require. A new boiler has been installed and new floors have been laid in the halls. An Art Exhibit was held in the assembly hall the last of January to raise funds to purchase pictures and statuary for the halls and recitation rooms. This proved to be very satisfactory both from an educational and financial standpoint. These, together with other improvements, were brought about through the kind offer of the Trustees of the Pierce estate. We are planning to have an art exhibit in the assembly hall the last of January, to raise funds to purchase pictures and statuary for the halls and recitation rooms.

Our courses of study are practically the same as those of last year. Several of our townspeople have kindly consented to give short addresses to the school on subjects of general interest. These serve to vary the regular routine of school life, and have a broadening educative influence. An exercise in spelling consisting of fifty selected words is given each week. We find that a large majority of High School pupils can be benefited by such an exercise.

Two changes have occurred in our teaching force. Miss Olive W. Sullivan and Miss Mabel F. Barnum resigned their positions, and Miss Bertha Munro and Miss Ruth N. Hart were elected to fill the vacancies.

During the last fall term the number of tuition pupils was 17, and the number of pupils drawing transportation money was 39. The present senior class numbers 38, the largest in the history of the school. If they all receive diplomas next June, the graduates from the Middleboro High school will number 507.

A great many of our graduates still continue their studies after leaving the High school. Last fall graduates from the school began courses of study in various institutions of learning as follows: Bridgewater Normal School, 3; Business Schools, 2; Boston University Law School, 1; Clark College, 1; Dartmouth College, 1; Haverford College, 1; Trinity College, 1; University of Maine, 4; Worcester Polytechnic Institute, 1; Post-graduate course in Middleboro High school, 3.

The graduating exercises were held Friday evening, June 21. The class contained 27, — 14 boys and 13 girls.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER SAMPSON,
Principal of the High School.

“It is nature which forces us to break into singing when our heart is moved by great and sudden emotions.” — *Cicero*.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC.

Mr. Charles H. Bates, Superintendent of Schools.

Dear Sir: — When I assumed charge of the music in the public schools six years ago, I thought by this time nothing would be left to do but grow. Yet today I am as far from my ideal as at the beginning. Our school buildings are so much improved and the schools so much better graded that our work should advance very rapidly.

I do not wish to appear pessimistic, but it seems to me that some of us fail to receive ourselves or give to others all that we might (our teachers work hard, only those connected with the schools know how hard), that our energies are misdirected, that we wander too far from the course laid down for us. Our time is short and we should use every moment to the very best advantage.

The center schools, with few exceptions, are doing excellent work, with every teacher striving to make his or her school the very best, teaching music, not because they are obliged to, but for the love of it, and the good that may grow out of it. Our schools ought to rank high. My aim is to have the best. A visit to our suburban schools will convince any one, that they are far in advance of surrounding district schools.

The High School in its new assembly hall, never started the year by doing such good work as this. I would recommend as last year the need of a new piano with a course of lectures on the lives of the great composers, with pianola selections of their works. In order to know good music, one must hear it. There should also be a course in musical history and elementary harmony, especially for those who intend to become teachers. Our orchestra is still the best for a town the size of ours.

Our rehearsals are Tuesdays at 8.20 A. M. We would be pleased to make them public.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. HOWARD,

Supervisor of Music.

“Music is the nearest at hand, the most orderly, the most delicate, and the most perfect of all bodily pleasures; it is also the only one which is equally helpful to all ages of man.”— *Ruskin*.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING AND MANUAL TRAINING.

Mr. Charles H. Bates, Superintendent of Schools :

Dear Sir—It gives me pleasure to make my second annual report on the work in the department of drawing and manual training.

There has been little change in teaching appearance drawing and color during the past year, but other lines show marked changes, caused by the movement in favor of industrial work in the schools which is spreading very rapidly throughout the country. Not only the foremost educators but manufacturers and business men are beginning to feel the need of some sort of training which will make the children more skilful in the use of their hands, more careful and exact in all their work, that they may be better prepared to fill satisfactorily the positions which will be open to them. One prominent business man said, when speaking on the subject from the business man's point of view, at a recent convention, "Our schools fit for clerks and book-keepers rather than good, honest work." The children are growing up with a distaste for any kind of manual work. Many manufacturers have to send abroad to find men competent to fill some of their best paying positions.

There are many lines of work which will help to give the training needed. The best kind is that which satisfies some demand or need felt by the child or which is of vital interest to him.

In November and December the outline for the drawing course calls for constructive drawing and design, and all the work which has to do with these two subjects has shown changes resulting from this movement. This year, instead of making what are to the children meaningless working drawings of uninteresting objects, we drew accurately and constructed real things which were of use either to them, their parents or friends. A child will always be more interested and try harder to do his best when he is making something which he knows is of worth.

Everything made was of some commercial value and just before Christmas a sale was held. That this proved a success was due to the enthusiastic interest of both teachers and pupils. An entertainment was furnished by the pupils and admission charged. The children designed the arrangement of text and Christmas motif for the posters and tickets. The latter were printed on the

mimeograph and painted by the children. The sale was well attended and brought in over ninety dollars. This is better from an educational point of view than giving the things away, as it makes the children realize that they can make things of real worth, and it makes them more careful and accurate as careless work is not saleable. It also is of value in a practical way by paying for the materials used and thus showing that the industrial work can be run on a wholly or partly self-supporting basis after the necessary tools are provided.

The following will give some idea of what has been done along these lines. In the High school an arts and crafts class which meets in the afternoon once in two weeks made articles of tooled leather, and the drawing class made illuminated mottoes and candle shades. In the ninth grade one hour each week has been allowed for manual work. The boys have a whittling class which meets from three to four in the room fitted up for the purpose in the Union Street school. The girls give the same time to sewing. The boys made pencil sharpeners, frames for post cards, and folding table screens which were decorated in the drawing class. The girls made aprons, dish towels, holders, fancy bags and kimonas.

The following articles were made in the other grades in connection with the constructive drawing:—memorandum pads mounted and in book form, candle shades, collar, veil and clipping cases, covers for laundry lists, telephone call cards, calendars, match strikes, sachet pockets, bookmarks, frames, broom holders, twine cases and stationary cases. The materials used in these grades were cardboard covered with decorative paper, and raffia. The aim was to make the articles beautiful in shape, proportion, color and decorations as well as useful. In addition to this the third and fourth grades are making villages on the sand table representing the scenes studied about in industrial geography and history, and the first and second grades are furnishing a doll's house.

Last spring the work in decorative design was carried out in the same way. Instead of making a design on paper for some imaginary thing, an object to be decorated was first made or procured and the decoration applied to it; in this way the child sees whether what he has done is practical or not, and whether it is right and beautiful. If the result is an object of real worth he takes pains to make his work more accurate and is not satisfied until he has done his best. This was done in every grade provided the design was good enough to make the object to which it was to be applied more beautiful. In the lower grades borders

for towels, handkerchiefs and paper napkins were designed and applied with dye. The middle grades designed decorations for china fish plates, china and wooden bowls and tiles. The best of these designs were painted on the china with mineral paints and fired, the pupils paying for the materials and firing. The grammar grades made designs for table covers, sash curtains and sofa pillows, applying their designs with dye by means of black printing or stencilling. A pupil in the seventh grade made a curtain for the bookcase in that room which won a prize in the School Arts Competition. The eighth grade pupils made a design for a piano cover which will be applied by the same pupils in the ninth grade this year and used on the piano in their room.

An exhibition of the work of the year was held the last of May. Many complete sets of work were on the tables and nearly every child was represented by some bit of color work, drawing or design.

If a certain amount of time could be allowed each week in every grade for industrial work its efforts upon the child would be such that favorable results would be seen not only in the drawing and manual work, but along all lines.

Last spring Mr. Frederic L. Burnham, Agent of the State Board of Education for the promotion of Manual Arts, visited all the schools at the center and West Side, and selected some of the work in designs to be used as illustrations in the Industrial course at the Hyannis Summer School. He also visited some of the schools again this fall, and gave a talk on School Room Decoration before the teachers and members of the school board.

I wish to thank the Superintendent and School Board for their interest and also the teachers for their hearty co-operation and the spirit with which they have carried on the work.

Respectfully Submitted,

MARY L. COOK,
Supervisor of Drawing and Manual Training.

APPENDIX.

VALUATION.

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FIRE SIGNAL.

ABSTRACT OF STATISTICS.

Valuation.

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Assessed valuation of the town, 1907 | \$4,410,609 00 |
| Approximate value of school houses and lots | 100,000 00 |
| Approximate value of other school property | 8,000 00 |

Cost of Schools.

| | |
|---|-------------|
| Amount available for school purposes | \$33,215 63 |
| Total cost of the schools for the year | 33,035 84 |
| Ordinary expenses | 32,010 04 |
| Percentage of assessed valuation expended for the schools | .00749 |
| Average cost per pupil, based on average membership | 25 38 |

Population.

| | |
|------------------------------|-------|
| Population of the town, 1905 | 6,888 |
|------------------------------|-------|

School Census.

| | Sept. 1, 1906. | Sept. 1, 1907. |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| Number of boys between the ages of 5 and 15 | 643 | 668 |
| Number of girls between the ages of 5 and 15 | 598 | 592 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 1,241 | 1,260 |
| Increase | | 19 |
| Number of boys between the ages of 7 and 14 | 456 | 486 |
| Number of girls between the ages of 7 and 14 | 409 | 418 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 865 | 904 |
| Increase | | 39 |
| Number of illiterate minors over 14 years of age | | 0 |

Statistics.

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|--|-----|
| Number of visits of Committee to Central schools | 6 |
| Number of visits of Committee to Suburban schools | 67 |
| Number of visits of Superintendent to Central schools | 801 |
| Number of visits of Superintendent to Suburban schools | 152 |

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|---|-------|
| Number of other visitors to Central schools | 1,960 |
| Number of other visitors to Suburban schools | 991 |
| Total number of visitors to all schools | 3,977 |
| Number of pupils promoted in June in Central schools | 724 |
| Number of pupils not promoted in June in Central schools | 93 |
| Number of pupils promoted conditionally in June in Central schools | 28 |
| Number of pupils promoted in June in Suburban schools | 335 |
| Number of pupils not promoted in June in Suburban schools | 46 |
| Number of pupils promoted conditionally in June in Suburban schools | 30 |

Teachers.

| | |
|--|----|
| Number of teachers employed, including assistants, January, 1908 | 43 |
| High school, men, 2; women, 5; total | 7 |
| Grammar school, men 3; women, 6; total | 9 |
| Primary schools, women | 10 |
| Suburban schools, women | 15 |
| Special teachers, music, 1; drawing, 1; total | 2 |

School Houses and Schools.

| | |
|--|----|
| Number occupied January, 1908 | 21 |
| Number of rooms | 44 |
| High school rooms | 9 |
| Grammar school rooms, grades 4-9 | 11 |
| Primary school rooms, grades 1-3 | 8 |
| Suburban school rooms, mixed grades | 15 |
| Number of houses heated by steam, 1; by furnace, 8; by stoves, 12; by steam and furnace, 1 - | |

School Enrollment and Attendance.

| | Central. | Suburban. | Total. |
|---|----------|-----------|--------|
| Whole number of pupils enrolled | 1,108 | 483 | 1,501 |
| Average membership | 875 | 386 | 1,261 |
| Average daily attendance | 825 | 347 | 1,172 |
| Percentage of attendance | 94.2 | 90 | 92.9 |
| Number or half day's absence | 23,949 | 14,276 | 38,225 |
| Number of cases of tardiness | 1,330 | 924 | 2,254 |
| Number of cases of dismissal | 656 | 386 | 1,042 |
| Number of cases of truancy | 18 | 26 | 44 |
| Number of cases of corporal punishment | 143 | 16 | 159 |
| Number attending over 15 years of age | 163 | 3 | 169 |
| Number attending between 7 and 14 years | 619 | 385 | 1,004 |

Enrollment Table for November.

| | Central. | Suburban. | Total. |
|------|----------|-----------|--------|
| 1895 | 662 | 337 | 999 |
| 1896 | 669 | 360 | 1,029 |
| 1897 | 686 | 391 | 1,077 |
| 1898 | 724 | 389 | 1,113 |
| 1899 | 727 | 384 | 1,111 |
| 1900 | 781 | 408 | 1,189 |
| 1901 | 860 | 401 | 1,261 |
| 1902 | 840 | 385 | 1,225 |
| 1903 | 863 | 405 | 1,268 |
| 1904 | 891 | 400 | 1,291 |
| 1905 | 907 | 410 | 1,317 |
| 1906 | 933 | 420 | 1,353 |
| 1907 | 938 | 404 | 1,342 |

REPORT OF TRUANT OFFICERS.

| | Everett T. Lincoln. | S. S Lovell. | George W. Hammond. |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Number of cases investigated | 5 | 63 | 6 |
| Number of cases of truancy | 2 | 10 | 0 |
| Number of cases prosecuted | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Number of cases on probation | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Number of cases of conviction | 0 | 0 | 0 |

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT AND ATTENDANCE, 1894-1907.

| | 1894 | 1895 | 1896 | 1897 | 1898 | 1899 | 1900 | 1901 | 1902 | 1903 | 1904 | 1905 | 1906 | 1907 |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Number of teachers..... | 30 | 31 | 31 | 33 | 33 | 33 | 34 | 37 | 37 | 38 | 39 | 39 | 40 | 43 |
| Number of pupils..... | 1,201 | 1,233 | 1,211 | 1,232 | 1,262 | 1,179 | 1,236 | 1,277 | 1,308 | 1,346 | 1,376 | 1,368 | 1,482 | 1,501 |
| Average number..... | 940 | 974 | 948 | 968 | 1,024 | 1,045 | 1,107 | 1,122 | 1,185 | 1,153 | 1,188 | 1,211 | 1,268 | 1,261 |
| Av. daily attendance..... | 860 | 890 | 881 | 901 | 950 | 959 | 1,016 | 1,038 | 1,038 | 1,049 | 1,095 | 1,133 | 1,188 | 1,172 |
| Percentage..... | 91.5 | 90.9 | 92.5 | 92.8 | 92.7 | 91.7 | 91.7 | 92.5 | 90.0 | 90.8 | 92.2 | 93.5 | 93.7 | 92.9 |
| No. half days absence..... | 29,529 | 28,591 | 26,623 | 27,310 | 27,540 | 31,136 | 32,803 | 34,156 | 40,957 | 34,612 | 35,563 | 36,498 | 32,348 | 38,225 |
| No. cases tardiness..... | 3,009 | 1,710 | 1,143 | 1,142 | 1,131 | 1,195 | 1,165 | 1,188 | 1,431 | 1,091 | 1,521 | 1,553 | 1,679 | 2,254 |
| No. cases dismissal..... | 2,497 | 1,659 | 1,321 | 1,483 | 1,495 | 1,061 | 1,107 | 1,116 | 1,186 | 811 | 1,090 | 1,116 | 1,263 | 1,042 |
| No. cases truancy..... | 23 | 12 | 38 | 21 | 19 | 14 | 15 | 26 | 17 | 9 | 14 | 15 | 33 | 44 |
| No. Pupils in High School | | | | | | 126 | 138 | 133 | 147 | 168 | 174 | 200 | 205 | 200 |

STATISTICAL EXPENSE TABLE FOR TEN YEARS.

| Year. | Fuel. | Books and Supplies. | Incidentals. | Transportation. Elementary Schools. | Transportation. High School. |
|-----------|----------|------------------------|--------------|--|---------------------------------|
| 1898..... | \$989 89 | \$1,335 84 | \$420 38 | \$1,440 35 | \$335 63 |
| 1899..... | 1,215 54 | 1,439 00 | 437 93 | 1,447 75 | '307 27 |
| 1900..... | 1,072 98 | 1,612 76 | 441 04 | 1,522 70 | 352 84 |
| 1901..... | 1,303 84 | 1,938 98 | 504 69 | 1,560 90 | 474 27 |
| 1902..... | 690 55 | 1,822 85 | 725 10 | 1,739 60 | 524 99 |
| 1903..... | 2,385 17 | 1,065 42 | 439 72 | 1,827 80 | 693 47 |
| 1904..... | 1,711 99 | 1,353 12 | 582 10 | 1,662 30 | 875 20 |
| 1905..... | 1,649 32 | 1,529 60 | 600 78 | 2,052 20 | 683 80 |
| 1906..... | 1,478 80 | 1,975 82 | 589 64 | 1,375 18 | 765 12 |
| 1907..... | 2,138 24 | 1,829 38 | 476 45 | 1,398 53 | 511 59 |

STATISTICS OF EACH SCHOOL.

YEAR ENDING JUNE 21, 1907.

| SCHOOL. | Room. | TEACHER. | Grades. | Total Membership. | Average Membership. | Average Attendance. | Per cent. of Attendance. |
|--------------------|-------|--|---------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| High | | Walter Sampson, <i>Prin</i> Leonard O. Tillson..... Grace Allen..... Mabel F. Barnum..... Anastacia G. Leahy..... Clara E. Parker..... Olive W. Sullivan..... | 10-13 | 200 | 177 | 170 | 96 |
| Main Street..... | 3 | E. M. F. Perrin, <i>Prin</i> ... | 9 | 52 | 49 | 46 | 95 |
| Grammar..... | 2 | Marion W. Sisson..... | 8 | 50 | 42 | 41 | 95 |
| | 1 | N. Louise Kimball..... | 7 | 62 | 51 | 48 | 94 |
| Main Street..... | 1 | Eleanor A. Barden, <i>Prin</i> .. | 1 | 38 | 34 | 31 | 89 |
| Primary..... | 2 | Mabel C. Reid..... | 2 | 48 | 40 | 37 | 91 |
| Union Street..... | 4 | Karin L. Ekman, <i>Prin</i> | 6 | 60 | 56 | 53 | 95 |
| | 3 | Myra L. Atwood..... | 5 | 46 | 43 | 40 | 95 |
| | 2 | A. Belle Alden..... | 5 | 29 | 25 | 23 | 93 |
| | 1 | Maude B. Perry..... | 4 | 34 | 28 | 27 | 94 |
| School Street..... | 1 | Lucy P. Burgess, <i>Prin</i> | 3 | 44 | 36 | 33 | 94 |
| | 2 | Lottie N. Besse..... | 3 | 44 | 39 | 36 | 93 |
| | 3 | Effie P. Williams..... | 4 | 47 | 38 | 36 | 94 |
| Forest Street..... | 2 | Betty Alden..... | 2 | 50 | 38 | 34 | 90 |
| | 1 | Flora M. Clark, <i>Prin</i> | 1 | 42 | 33 | 30 | 90 |
| West Side..... | 4 | Carl D. Lytle <i>Prin</i> | 8-9 | 33 | 30 | 27 | 93 |
| | 3 | Elizabeth R. Pratt..... | 5-7 | 43 | 42 | 40 | 94 |
| | 2 | Eliza McTaggart..... | 3-4 | 44 | 42 | 39 | 93 |
| | 1 | Mattie M. Bennett..... | 1-2 | 53 | 42 | 37 | 86 |
| Pleasant Street... | | Lucy E. Merrihew..... | mixed | 47 | 35 | 30 | 86 |
| Plymouth Street.. | | Alice B. LeBaron..... | " | 22 | 16 | 15 | 91 |
| Purchade..... | | Grace A. Tinkham..... | " | 38 | 31 | 27 | 86 |
| Nemasket..... | | Grace S. Hathaway..... | " | 22 | 17 | 15 | 83 |
| Thompsonville... | | Maude DeMaranville..... | " | 17 | 13 | 12 | 98 |
| Soule..... | | Mary E. Deane..... | " | 41 | 35 | 30 | 87 |
| Waterville..... | | Christena Pratt..... | " | 31 | 24 | 21 | 91 |
| Green..... | | Bessie B. Bailey..... | " | 40 | 28 | 25 | 89 |
| Fall Brook..... | | Katherine Bryan..... | " | 26 | 21 | 20 | 95 |
| Thomastown..... | | Ethel M. Harvey..... | " | 39 | 37 | 34 | 93 |
| So. Middleboro... | | Hattie M. Chace..... | " | 54 | 44 | 28 | 88 |
| Highland..... | | Annabel Landgrebe..... | " | 28 | 24 | 21 | 89 |
| Rock..... | | A. Blanche C. Dudley.... | " | 39 | 33 | 31 | 95 |
| Wappanucket.... | | Faye H. Deane..... | " | 18 | 17 | 15 | 91 |
| Marion Road..... | | Katherine M. Cole..... | " | 17 | 13 | 12 | 89 |

GRADUATING EXERCISES MIDDLEBOROUGH HIGH SCHOOL

Town Hall, Friday Evening, June 21, 1907, at Eight o'clock.

Choruses accompanied by High School Orchestra.

Class Motto: Vestigia Nulla Retrorsum

Class Color: Brown and Gold

Class Flower: Oxeye Daisy

Order of Exercises.

Prayer.

Rev. G. E. MacIlwain.

Salutatory and Oration — The Duty of an American Citizen.

Herbert Lester Wilber.

Essay — Fame.

Ruth Willis Holloway.

Cornet Solo — Selected.

Kenneth Lawrence Childs.

Class Will.

Charlotte Elizabeth Perkins.

Chorus — A Warrior Bold.

Recitation — What William Henry Did.

Katharine Goodnow Hayden.

Vocal Solo — Heart Dreams.

Lester Howard Allen.

Essay — Camp Joe Hooker.

Mildred Leonard Pratt.

Declamation — Decoration Day.

Chester Stewart Lyon.

Chorus — Estudiantina.

Essay — Longfellow in Literature.

Mildred Andrews Thomas.

Vocal Solo — { a The Open Secret.
 b To Thee.

Irene Lucy Sullivan.

Recitation — The Start.

Clara Benson Cushing.

Violin Solo — Selected.

Emma Jane Farrar.

Oration — Popular Government.

John Vincent Sullivan.

Chorus — The Vision.

Class Prophecy.

Edgar Horatio Stafford, Jr.

Essay and Valedictory — The Power of Concentration.

Isabel Luther Pratt.

Presentation of Diplomas.

Rev. W. C. Litchfield, Chairman of School Committee.

Benediction.

Principal : Walter Sampson.

Assistants.

Leonard O. Tillson.

Anastacia G. Leahy.

Jennie G. Allen.

Clara E. Parker.

Mabel F. Barnum.

Olive W. Sullivan.

Instructor in Music : Austin M. Howard.

Instructor in Drawing : Mary L. Cook.

Class of 1907.

Classical Course.

Clara Benson Cushing.

Mildred Andrews Thomas.

Katharine Goodnow Hayden.

Herbert Lester Wilber.

English-Latin Course.

Ralph Harrub Blanchard.

Charlotte Elizabeth Perkins.

Lewis Sumner Eaton.

Louis Turner Perkins.

Emma Jane Farrar.

Isabel Luther Pratt.

Ruth Willis Holloway.

Elmer Allen Sisson.

LeRoy Morse LeBarron.

Irene Lucy Sullivan.

Bertha May Lyon.

John Vincent Sullivan.

Harold Sparrow Wood.

English Course.

Lester Howard Allen.

Mildred Leonard Pratt.

Kenneth Lawrence Childs.

Charles Edward Reed.

Shirlie Cushman Clark.

Lillie Russell Rogers.

Nahum Wilber Ellis.

Mary Shaw.

Chester Stewart Lyon.

Edgar Horatio Stafford, Jr.

Class Ode.

By Harold Sparrow Wood.

Many a class has parted here before,
And each one as it went its onward way
Has carried with it since the days of yore
High resolutions for the coming day.

And now as we in turn shall drift apart,
Each one to face life's trial and life's test,
Let this our aim be from the very start —
Not equal to, but higher than the rest.

MIDDLEBOROUGH ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

Graduating Exercises, 1907.

Wednesday, June 19, Eight P. M., Town Hall.

Program.

Music — Sentinel March.

Caroline L. Jones, Verna L. Francis.

Prayer.

Rev. William D. Goble.

Singing — Drift My Bark.

F. Kucken.

School.

Recitation — The Whistling Boy.

F. E. Brooks.

Wills S. Tate.

Violin Solo — Souvenir des Alpes.

Ad Herman.

Katherine A. Tikiob.

Recitation — A Leak in the Dike.

Cary.

Lucretia B. Swift.

Recitation — When the Minister Comes to Tea.

Fred D. Pittsley.

Trio — Chase au Lion.

Kolling.

Mertie E. Philbrook, Beatrice E. Gammons, Gladys M. Elliott.

Recitation — Jim Brown's Prompt Obedience.

W. B. Alden.

Cornelius F. Harrington.

Piano Solo — Tremolo, Grande Etude de Concert.

Louis M. Gottchalk.

Sarah A. Vaughan.

Recitation — A Voice From a Far Country.

Maud G. Churbuck.

Singing — The Fall of the Leaf.

G. A. Macfarren.

School.

Recitation — The Swan Song.

Dorothy E. Snow.

Violin Solo — Barcarolle et Tarantelle.

C. N. Allen.

Marion H. Thomas.

Dialogue — The Rival Orators.

Charles F. Ellis, Henry F. Smith.

Singing — Once Again the School Day Hath Flown. Franz Abt.

Presentation of Certificates of Graduation.

Rev. W. C. Litchfield, Chairman of School Committee.

Benediction.

Class of 1907.

Main Street Grammar School.

Timothy E. Anderson.
George M. Barden
Edward A. Begley.
Guy W. Brackett.
Etta M. Bruce.
Caroline S. Buck.
Ralph E. Burden.
David W. Burgess.
Ruth G. Caswell.
Maude G. Churbuck.
Marcella M. Dignan.
Carlton M. Dunham.
Gladys M. Elliot.
Joseph R. Erickson.
Ella B. Fickert.
Beatrice E. Gammons.
Gertrude E. Gay.
Cornelius F. Harrington.
Flora Joy.
Frederick G. Maddigan.
John Malcolm.

Edward A. Ramsey.
Fred D. Pittsley.
Lysander Richmond.
Ralph E. Ryder.
Gilbert M. Simmons.
Joanna L. Sinclair.
Dorothy E. Snow.
Chloe S. Tallman.
Wills H. Tate.
Lawrence H. Thomas.
Marion H. Thomas.
Waldo S. Thomas.
Katherine A. Tikiob.
Susie B. Tinkham.
Sarah A. Vaughan.
Minnie E. Westgate.
Annie H. Wilber.
Margaret O. Wood.
Grace W. Leonard.
J. Clark Wilmot.
Clinton E. Page.

Mertie E. Philbrook.

West Side Grammar School.

Helen Anderson.
Mildred W. Ashley.
Alfred A. Auger.
Charles F. Ellis.
Roy V. Fagerburg.
Verna L. Francis.
Clara B. Howe.

Bernard S. Howes.
Caroline L. Jones.
C. Elmer Leggee.
Edna M. Nourse.
Henry F. Smith.
Lucretia B. Swift.
Forest Thomas.

Thomastown School.

Florence I. Guilford.

Helen L. Thomas.

Waterville School.

Ruth Bliss.

Helen E. Shaw.

Green School.

Sadie McCrillis.

CHANGES OF TEACHERS.

January 1, 1907, to January 1, 1908.

Withdrawals.

Emmet M. F. Perrin, Principal of Main Street Grammar school.
 Elizabeth R. Pratt, West Side school.
 Olive W. Sullivan, High school.
 Mabel F. Barnum, High school.
 Eliza McTaggart, West Side school.
 Karin L. Ekman, Union Street school.
 Effie D. Williams, School Street school.
 Veretta F. Shaw, Union Street school.
 Katherine M. Cole, Marion Road school.

Appointments.

Ruth N. Hart, High school.
 Bertha Munro, High School.
 Galen W Flanders, School Street school.
 Ethel A. Wentworth, School Street school.
 Cyril D. Randall, Principal West Side school.
 Mabel Morey, Thompsonville school.
 Josie L. Russell, Thomastown school.
 Lela I. Smith, Highland school.
 Grace E. Baker, Fall Brook school.
 Grace A. Tinkham, Purchade school.

Transfers.

Myra L. Atwood, from West Side school to Grade 5, Union Street school.
 Eliza McTaggart, from Purchade to West Side school.
 Carl D. Little, from West Side school to School Street school.
 A. B. C. Dudley, from Rock to Union Street school.
 Ethel M. Harvey, from Thomastown to West Side school.
 Katherine Bryan, from Fall Brook to West Side school.
 Maude De Maranville, from Thompsonville to Marion Road school.
 Annabel Landgrede, from Highland to Rock school.

NOTE.—Transfers in central schools caused by the occupancy of the new School Street building are not given.

LIST OF TEACHERS JANUARY 1, 1908.

High School.

Main Street, Near Town Hall.

Walter Sampson, Principal, Pearl Street.

Leonard O. Tillson, 11 North Street.

Grace Allen, 19 Pierce Street.

Anastacia G. Leahy, 19 Everett Street.

Clara E. Parker, 65 Pearl Street.

Bertha Munro, 23 Webster Street.

Ruth N. Hart, 23 Webster Street.

School Street Grammar School.

School Street.

| Room. | Grade. |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Carl D. Lytle, Prin. | 9. 109 Centre Street. |
| 2. G. W. Flanders, Sub-master | 7-9. 16 Arlington Street. |
| 3. Marion W. Sisson | 8. 23 Forest Street. |
| 4. N. Louise Kimball | 7. 10 Southwick Street. |
| 5. Ethel A. Wentworth | 6. 75 South Main Street. |
| 6. A. Delle Alden | 5. 75 South Main Street. |
| 7. Myra L. Atwood, | 5-6. 28 School Street. |
| 8. Maude B. Perry, | 4. 6 Myrtle Street. |

Union Street Primary School.

Union Street.

| Room. | Grade. |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Lucy P. Burgess, Prin., | 3. 2 Myrtle Street. |
| 2. Lottie N. Besse, | 3. 15 Union Street. |
| 3. A. Blanche C. Dudley, | 4. 7 West Street. |

Main Street Primary.

Main Street, Near Congregational Church.

| Room. | Grade. |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Eleanor A. Barden, Prin., | 1. 85 Pearl Street. |
| 2. Mabel C. Reid, | 2. 110 South Main Street. |

Forest Street Primary School.

| Room. | Grade. |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Flora M. Clark, Prin., | 1. 18 Forest Street. |
| 2. Betty Alden, | 2. 114 South Main Street. |

West Side Grammar and Primary School.

West End Avenue.

| Room. | Grade. |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 4. Cyril F. Randall, Prin., | 6-7-8. 9 West End Avenue. |
| 3. Ethel M. Harvey, | 4-5. 210 Centre Street. |
| 2. Katherine Bryan, | 2-3. 126 South Main Street. |
| 1. Mattie M. Bennett, | 1. 8 Pierce street. |

Suburban Schools.

Pleasant Street—Lucy E. Merrihew, 22 East Grove Street.
 Plymouth Street—Alice B. LeBaron, 6 Southwick Street.
 Purchase—Grace A. Tinkham, 11 Courtland Street.
 Nemasket—Grace S. Hathaway, 37 Oak Street.
 Soule—Mary E. Deane, Thompson Street.
 Waterville—Christena Pratt, East Main Street.
 Green—Bessie B. Bailey, 23 Forest Street.
 Fall Brook—Grace E. Baker, 88 Pearl Street.
 Thomastown—Josie L. Russell, Chestnut Street.
 South Middleboro—Hattie M. Jones, 3 Maple Avenue.
 Highland—Lela I. Smith, Highland Street.
 Rock—Annabel Landgrebe, North Street.
 Thompsonville—Mabel Morey, Thompson Street.
 Wappanucket—Faye H. Deane, 63 Oak Street.
 Marion Road—Maude DeMaranville, Lakeville.

Special Teachers.

Music—Austin M. Howard, 66 Everett Street.
 Drawing—Mary L. Cook, 71 Pierce Street.

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1908-1909.

High School.

| Opens. | Closes. | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Winter term, Dec. 30, 1907. | March 20, 1908. | Vacation one week. |
| Spring term, March 30. | June 19. | Vacation eleven weeks. |
| Fall term, Sept. 8. | Dec. 23. | Vacation to Monday, Jan. 4, 1909. |
| Winter term, Jan. 4, 1909. | March 26, 1909. | Vacation one week. |

Grammar Schools.

Central Schools, Grades 7, 8 and 9.

| Opens. | Closes. | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Winter term, Dec. 30, 1907. | March 20, 1908. | Vacation one week. |
| Spring term, March 30. | June 19, | Vacation eleven weeks. |
| Fall term, Sept. 8. | Dec. 23. | Vacation to Monday, Jan. 4, 1909. |
| Winter term, Jan. 4, 1909. | March 26, 1909. | Vacation one week. |

Elementary and Suburban Schools.

| Opens. | Closes. | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Winter term, Dec. 30, 1907. | March 20, 1908. | Vacation one week. |
| Spring term, March 30. | June 12. | Vacation twelve weeks. |
| Fall term, Sept. 8. | Dec. 23. | Vacation to Monday, Jan. 4, 1909. |
| Winter term, Jan. 4, 1909. | March 26, 1909. | Vacation one week. |

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

April 20, October 30, Plymouth County Teachers' Convention, Thanksgiving and the day following. Two visitation days.

TEACHERS' PAY DAYS.

January 24, February 21, March 20, April 24, May 22, June 12, October 2, October 30, November 25, December 23.

SCHOOL SESSIONS.

High from 8.15 a. m. to 1.15 p. m.

Central elementary from 9 a. m. to 12 m., and 1.30 p. m. to 3.30 p. m.

Suburban, morning session from 9 a. m. to 12 m. Afternoon session from 1 p. m. to 4 p. m., during September, October, April, May and June: from 1 p. m. to 3.30 p. m. during November, December, January, February and March.

FIRE SIGNALS.

Two strokes of gong—pupils will march out **without** hats and coats.

Two strokes, followed by one—pupils will march out **with** hats and coats.

Fire drills shall be given at least once a week.

MIDDLEBORO PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

SCHOOL STORM SIGNALS REVISED FEBRUARY, 1908.

FOR ALL SCHOOLS.

The signal, 2-1-2, will be given four times upon the fire alarm bell and whistles at 7.45 a. m. for suspension of the session of the High school and the morning session of the Elementary schools, and at 12.45 p. m. for suspension of afternoon sessions.

FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

The same signal at 8.15 a. m. closes all schools below the High school, and at 8.30 a. m. the schools in the Chapel, Union Street, Forest Street buildings and the schools on the first floor of the West Side building for the forenoon session. The same signal at 1 p. m. closes the schools closed by the 8.30 a. m. signal for the afternoon session.

CHARLES H. BATES,
Superintendent of Schools.

CHARLES W. KINGMAN,
Chief Engineer of Fire Department

ARTICLES IN THE WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

To be Held in the Town Hall, Monday, March 2nd, 1908.

Article I. To choose all necessary town officers, the following officers to be voted for on one ballot, viz: One moderator for one year, one treasurer, one collector of taxes, eight constables, three fish wardens, one auditor, three fence viewers, one tree warden, all for one year each; one selectman, one assessor, one overseer of the poor, three trustees of the Public Library, two members of the school committee, one member of the Municipal Light Board, and one member of the board of health, all for three years.

The polls for the election of these officers will be open at half past eleven o'clock a. m. and will not be closed before half past three o'clock p. m.

Art. II. To vote by ballot "Yes" or "No", in answer to the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Art. III. To raise such sums of money, by tax or otherwise, as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the town, for the current year, appropriate the same, and to act anything in relation to the assessment and collection of taxes for the year.

Art. IV. To authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow during the municipal year beginning Jan. 1st, 1908 in anticipation of the collection of taxes of said year, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the town, but not exceeding the total tax levy for said year, giving the notes of the town therefor, payable within one year from the dates thereof, all debts incurred under authority of this vote to be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

Art. V. To hear the report of any committees, or officers of the town, to appoint any committees, and act thereon.

Art. VI. To allow accounts against the town and act thereon.

Art. VII. To see if the town will vote that the yards of per-

sons chosen Field Drivers shall be town pounds so long as they remain in office, provided they shall be chosen pound keepers.

Art. VIII. To dispose of the money received for dog licenses, and other licenses, the present year and act thereon.

Art. IX. To see if the town will pay the expense of a night watch in the Four Corners, and act thereon.

Art. X. To see if the town will appropriate any money to be expended by Post 8, G. A. R., on Memorial day and act thereon.

Art. XI. To see what salary the town will vote to pay the School Committee, the members of the Municipal Light Board, the Tree Warden and the Auditor, for their services the ensuing year, and act thereon.

Art. XII. To see what action the town will take in relation to sprinkling the streets, and act thereon.

Art. XIII. To see what action the town will take in relation to concrete or other sidewalks, appropriate any sum of money for the same, and act thereon.

Art. XIV. To see what action the town will take in regard to disposing of its rights to take alewives for one year, or a term of years, and act thereon.

Art. XV. To see if the town will vote to accept the list of jurors as posted by the selectmen and act thereon.

Art. XVI. To appoint a committee on appropriations and act thereon.

Art. XVII. To see if the town will vote to instruct its selectmen to assess an annual rental for the use of sewers and act thereon.

Art. XVIII. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to institute, defend, or compromise suits for or against the town during the ensuing year, and act thereon.

Art. XIX. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Overseers of the Poor to establish a piggery and collect the swill in this village and act anything thereon. (By request of the Board of Health.)

Art. XX. To see if the town will vote to reimburse Josiah T. Carver the sum of \$120.00 for his defence in an action at law brought against him while he was a police officer of the town of Middleboro, and act thereon. (By request.)

Art. XXI. To see if the town will vote to appropriate any sum of money for the payment of one or more school physicians,

in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 502, Acts of 1906, and act thereon.

Art. XXII. To see if the town will elect a committee for the suppression of crime, appropriate money for the same and act thereon.

Art. XXIII. To see if the town will vote to increase the number of assessors and act thereon. (By request.)

Art. XXIV. To see if the town will vote to amend Article 2 of the By-Laws of the Town so that said article shall plainly designate the time of posting printed notices for a town meeting and act thereon. (By request.)

Art. XXV. To see if the town will vote that when the town adopts the recommendations of committees calling for the appropriation of money, the report of the committee containing such recommendations shall be copied upon the records of the meeting at which such recommendations are adopted, and act thereon. (By request.)

Art. XXVI. To see if the town will vote to dispose of the whole or any part of its electric light and gas plant and act thereon. (By request.)

Art. XXVII. To see if the town will vote to lay new gas mains of suitable size and act thereon. (By request.)

Art. XXVIII. To see if the town will vote to adopt a curfew law for the Four Corners village and act anything thereon. (By request.)

Art. XXIX. To see if the town will vote to observe "Old Home Week" in the year 1908, and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to carry on the same. Choose the necessary committees and act anything thereon.

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